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**Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

**A Resolution Proclaiming Hispanic Heritage Month**

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic Heritage Month is an opportunity to recognize the contributions of Hispanic Americans and to celebrate Hispanic heritage and culture; and

**WHEREAS**, the observation began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon B. Johnson, but was enacted into federal law on August 17, 1988, calling upon public officials, educators, librarians, and all the people of the United States to observe this time with ceremonies, activities, and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, this observance celebrates the culture and traditions of people whose ancestry can be traced to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean islands; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than 13 percent of Chatham County's population are Hispanic and Latino residents; and

**WHEREAS**, these Hispanic and Latino residents play a unique and vital role in our economy and workforce as well as our faith communities and social tapestry; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of this celebration and due to COVID-19, the Hispanic Liaison will be acknowledging the contributions of the Hispanic and Latino community of Chatham County via its social media pages from September 15<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaim September 15<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup> as Hispanic Heritage Month in Chatham County and urge its residents to participate in activities to learn more about our Hispanic and Latino communities.

Adopted, this the 16 day of August, 2021.

Mike Dasher, Chair  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

