

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, in 1968 Congress created Hispanic Heritage Week, and in 1988 it was extended to a month-long observance to celebrate the Hispanic culture; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans, who are nurtured by their rich ethnic heritage and inspired by their faith in the principles upon which this country was founded, continue to make their mark across the country and in virtually every aspect of American life; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics value the importance of higher education in order to reach the American dream and make a positive contribution to our country; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic Americans' growing influence and entrepreneurial spirit contributes to economic growth by creating new businesses, jobs, and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month demonstrates the unity and diversity of Hispanics in our community and around the world, including those with roots in Latin American Countries throughout North, Central and South America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15 to October 15, 2010, as

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and encourage all residents to make this month a time of commitment to the principles of unity, respect and trust for the betterment of our community.

In witness hereof, I hereunto set my hand this 16th day of September 2010.