

Proclamation



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

2nd Annual Napa County Latino Heritage Month: Sept. 15 - Oct. 15, 2013

WHEREAS, in 1968 President Lyndon B. Johnson first recognized Hispanic Heritage week, later expanded under President Reagan to one month, and each successive United States President has continued this tradition, including, most recently, President Barack Obama who declared September 15 through October 15 to be National Hispanic Heritage Month and who has called upon the people of our country to observe this month with appropriate respect, ceremonies, and activities; and,

WHEREAS, Napa County has a long history of welcoming immigrants and is home to a growing multi-ethnic and multicultural Latino population, including citizens originating from: Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America, all of whom are welcome and very much appreciated. Napa County's Latino population grew by 50 percent in the past ten years and now represents over 32 percent of our citizens or approximately 44,000 people and more than half of all public school students are Latino; and

WHEREAS, the diverse Latino population of the Napa County makes a significant economic contribution and has other profound positive influences on our community through their strong commitment to family, faith, education, hard work, culture and service; and.

WHEREAS, Napa County, which thrives on the diversity and ingenuity of all our people, also depends on the continued support and success of our diverse Latino population. We will continue to be enriched by the transcultural contributions of our Latino friends and neighbors for many decades to come, and we will continue to make efforts to create an inclusive environment where we can all thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Brad Wagenknecht, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, in deep appreciation to the diverse Latino population of Napa County, hereby proclaim September 15th through October 15th to be Latino Heritage Month in Napa County.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brad Wagenknecht", written over a horizontal line.

Chairman Brad Wagenknecht

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