

TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA
PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL HISPANIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
September 15 - October 15, 2025

National Hispanic American Heritage Month is observed from **September 15 to October 15** each year, celebrating the rich histories, cultures, and contributions of Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. The month begins on September 15 to honor the independence anniversaries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, with Mexico, Chile, and Belize celebrating shortly after, reminding us of the deep and diverse roots of Hispanic and Latino communities.

In Herndon, we are proud to be home to a vibrant and growing Hispanic and Latino population with approximately 33–35% of Herndon's population identifying as Hispanic or Latino, making it one of the largest and most vibrant demographic groups in the town. This rich diversity is reflected in Herndon's neighborhoods, schools, businesses, community events, and faith communities—deeply shaping the town's cultural identity. The 2025 theme, *"Collective Heritage: Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future"* highlights the generations of Hispanic and Latino leaders—past and present, locally and nationally—who continue to push boundaries, open doors, and build stronger communities for all of us.

The Town of Herndon recognizes and celebrates the students, athletes, families, workers, artists, veterans, and civic leaders of Hispanic and Latino heritage who enrich our community every day. We honor the resilience, family values, and cultural pride that help make Herndon a more inclusive, dynamic, and united town.

Therefore, the Mayor of the Town of Herndon, together with the Herndon Town Council, hereby proclaims September 15 through October 15, 2025, as **National Hispanic American Heritage Month** in the Town of Herndon. We encourage all residents to join us in celebrating the stories, traditions, and enduring contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans through local events and programs, continuing to build a community where everyone belongs and every culture is honored.