

*STATE OF FLORIDA
CITY OF OAKLAND PARK*

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month became a national observance celebration in 1988 when it was approved by the 100th Congress and begins on September 15, the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries – Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, this observance honors Hispanic Americans who share elements from their ancestral homelands, seen in their cuisine, language and the arts, adding their own distinct and dynamic perspective to our Nation's story, and who have had a lasting impact on our Nation's history and have helped drive hard won progress for all; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, Oakland Park Latin Fest celebrates Latin culture through food, drink, music, and dance at Jaco Pastorius Park on Friday, September 16 from 6 to 10 p.m. this free, family-friendly event highlights live music by Sonlokos with Leslie Cartaya, children's activities, food trucks, and more; and

WHEREAS, this month long celebration is a moment to reaffirm our commitment to dismantle historic racial and socioeconomic disparities, having negatively impacted Hispanic communities, ensuring the American dream is within reach for generations of Hispanic Americans to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the Charter, does hereby authorize Mayor Michael E. Carn to proclaim the month of September as

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, to be affixed this 7th day of September, 2022.

BY: _____
MICHAEL E. CARN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CITY CLERK