



Mayoral Proclamation

National Hispanic Heritage Month – September 15 to October 15

- WHEREAS,** each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15; and
- WHEREAS,** National Hispanic Heritage month is a time to celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America; and
- WHEREAS,** this year's theme is "Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together" and is meant to recognize the many Hispanics and Latinos who have paved the way for future generations, and to capture the spirit of innovation, resilience, and unity that define the Hispanic experience; and
- WHEREAS,** an estimated 65.2 million Hispanics live in the United States as of July 1, 2023, a new high; and
- WHEREAS,** we recognize that our diversity is our strength, and Hispanic contributions to our culture, our economy, and the future of our nation cannot be denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TALISHA SEARCY MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim September 15 to October 15 as National Hispanic Heritage Month in Takoma Park and encourage all residents join in supporting this observation through activities, programs, and celebrations.

Dated this 25th Day of September, 2024.

Talisha Searcy
Mayor