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**Type:**

Resolution

**Title:**

Recognition of Latino Heritage Month and contributions of  
Chicago City Council Latino Caucus

**Committee(s) Assignment:**

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING LATINO HERITAGE MONTH AND THE GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS  
OF CHICAGO CITY COUNCIL LATINO CAUCUS AND LATINO COMMUNITY**

**WHEREAS**, Annually, from September 15 to October 15 the United States, State of Illinois, and City of Chicago (City) observe Latino Heritage Month by celebrating the significant contributions, history, and diverse culture of the Latino community; and

**WHEREAS**, September 15 is a significant start date because it is the shared anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua in addition to Mexico on September 16 and Chile on September 18; and

**WHEREAS**, Today, Latinos represent the largest minority group in the City, State, and Nation—an undeniable influence on America's diverse identity; and

**WHEREAS**, Specifically, Latinos account for approximately 820,000 of the City's total population—a 5% increase since the last Census; and

**WHEREAS**, Due to the collective work of Latino and diverse led groups throughout the City, representation now exists within historically excluded spaces and is demonstrably growing; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council Latino Caucus (Latino Caucus) works to improve the quality of life for Latinos by assuring their best interests are both heard and represented in City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, The Latino Caucus' commitment to the advancement of the Latino community is furthered through the efforts led by the Chicago Latino Caucus Foundation (CLCF); and

**WHEREAS**, The CLCF was created to strengthen a much-needed talent pipeline to fulfill leadership gaps in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors through equitable resources such as scholarship and professional development; and

**WHEREAS**, As of today, the CLCF's Scholarship Program has awarded over \$800,000 to over 150 recipients, and more than 100 fellows have graduated their Leadership Academy; and

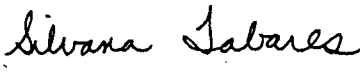
**WHEREAS**, As a result of the Latino Caucus, and work led by Latino and diverse groups throughout the City, Chicago continues serve as a "Welcoming City" that supports and celebrates Latinos—despite outside efforts by xenophobic political actors; and, now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor, City of Chicago Latino Caucus, and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2022, do hereby acknowledge, celebrate, and uplift the significant contributions, history, and diverse culture of the Latino community—everyday and especially—this 2022 Latino Heritage Month.



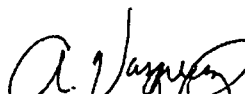
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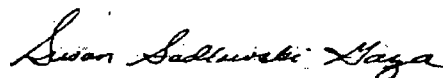
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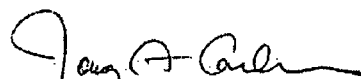
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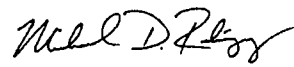
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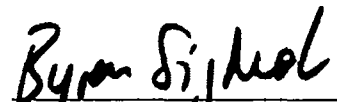
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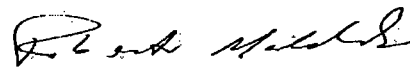
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CCCLC, Member  
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**FELIX CARDONA, SR.**  
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