



Proclamation

of the City Council

National Hispanic Heritage Month

WHEREAS, Nearly 50 years after the United States first observed what was then National Hispanic Heritage Week, Hispanics represent a vibrant and thriving part of our diverse Nation. Their histories and cultures stretch across centuries, and the contributions of those who come to our shores today in search of their dreams continue to add new chapters in our national story; and

WHEREAS, this month, we honor the rich heritage of the Hispanic Community and celebrate its countless achievements; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance for Hispanic Advancement (AHA) was established in 1992 by 15 local Hispanic/Latino business leaders and concerned community members; and

WHEREAS, too often local newspapers and media would often focus on Hispanic/Latino criminal and gang activities and to combat these stereotypes the initial purpose was to bring forward positive representation of Hispanic heritage and the countless contributions made in the Yuba Sutter region; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance for Hispanic Advancement mission is “to be leaders in improving the quality of life for people of Hispanic heritage in our local communities”. They have accomplished their mission through community action, education enhancement and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the following are a summary of collective memorable accomplishments in the past 27 years:

- Awarded over \$175,000 of scholarships to high school students in Sutter and Yuba Counties
- Adopted and donated food baskets to more than 500 families every holiday season
- Partnered with the US Department of Forestry to launch Projecto Navidad in which Hispanic/Latino children are introduced to the importance of re-foresting and land preservation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Shon Harris, Mayor of the City of Yuba City and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month from September 15 – October 15, 2020 to be National Hispanic Heritage Month.

Proclaimed this 15th day of September 2020, at the City of Yuba City, County of Sutter, State of California.