



**Yolo County Board of Education and  
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools**

**Resolution #24-25/7  
In Recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month  
September 15 – October 15, 2024**

**WHEREAS**, National Hispanic Heritage Month was proposed in 1968 by U.S. Congressman Edward R. Roybal and enacted into law on August 17, 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month for a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15, which celebrates the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America; and

**WHEREAS**, September 15 was chosen as this celebration's start date in order to coincide with the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and 18, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic and Latina/o populations have been integral to the prosperity of the United States, and their contributions to the nation are immeasurable; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic and Latina/o populations have had a profound and positive influence on our country through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multiethnic and multicultural customs of their community; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic and Latina/o population continue to make important contributions to our society in American government, business, agriculture, commerce, Armed Forces, education, the arts, science, and sports; and

**WHEREAS**, based on 2022-23 school year data, the State of California is home to approximately 3,284,788 Hispanic or Latina/o students from kindergarten through grade twelve, which is 56.1% of the student population in California; and

**WHEREAS**, based on 2022-23 school year data, Yolo County enrolls 14,278 Hispanic or Latina/o students from kindergarten through grade twelve, which is 47.9% of the student population in Yolo County; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools proclaims the month beginning September 15 and ending on October 15, 2024, as National Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all educational communities to commemorate this occasion with appropriate instructional activities.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools at a meeting held on August 13, 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES: Esquivel, Moreno, Salud-Ambriz, Yip**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: Zendejas**



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Shelton Yip, President  
Yolo County Board of Education



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Garth Lewis  
County Superintendent of Schools