

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the United States recognizes and celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month September 15, 2018 through October 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Census Bureau estimates the Hispanic population in the United States to be 58.6 million or 17.8 percent of the nation's total population, making people of Hispanic origin the nation's largest ethnic minority group; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic population in the United States is projected to grow to approximately 132.8 million by 2050, at which point the Hispanic population will comprise 30.2 percent of the total population; and

WHEREAS, more than one in four United States public school students are Hispanic, and the total percentage of Hispanic students enrolled in public schools is expected to reach 29 percent by 2025; and

WHEREAS, 19.1 percent of all college students are Hispanic, making Hispanics the largest ethnic minority group on college campuses in the United States, including both two-year community colleges and four-year colleges and universities; tripling college enrollment by Hispanics over the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing power of Hispanic Americans is \$1.7 trillion and is expected to grow to \$1.8 trillion by 2021; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 4.73 million Hispanic-owned businesses in the United States, with sales contributing \$709 billion to the U.S. economy; and

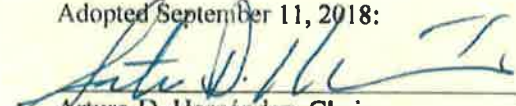
WHEREAS, approximately 27 million Hispanic workers, or triple the 9.0 million in 1988, represent 17 percent of the total labor force in the United States, with the share of the Hispanic labor force participation expected to grow to 19.1 percent by 2022; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans serve in all branches of the Armed Forces and have bravely fought in every war in the history of the United States; and

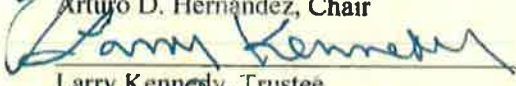
WHEREAS, 1.2 million Hispanics age 18 and older are Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that Ventura County Community College District recognizes Hispanic Heritage Month and honors the vital role of Latinos in the economy, culture, and community throughout Ventura County and the United States.

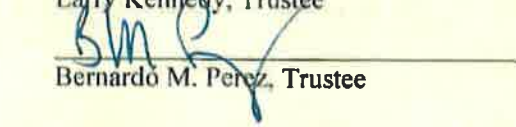
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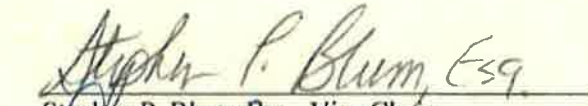
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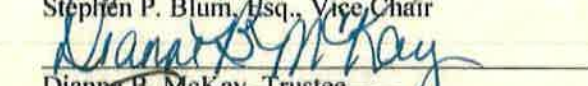
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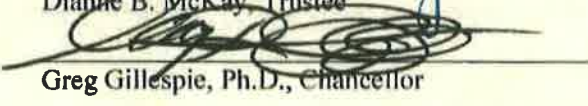
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