

NEW HAVEN UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION
Resolution No. 003-1819

Latino Heritage Month
September 15 - October 15, 2018

WHEREAS, American history reflects a determined spirit of perseverance and cultural pride on the part of the Latino population in its struggle to equally share in the opportunities of a nation founded upon the principles of freedom and liberty for all people; and

WHEREAS, the anniversary of independence and liberation movements throughout MesoAmerica, Latin America and the Caribbean Islands; and

WHEREAS, the many and valuable contributions of Latinos to our society are recognized annually during Latino Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Latinos comprise 39% of California's population and 22% of Union City's population and have made many positive contributions to the social, artistic, linguistic, cultural, and intellectual aspects of our community with their many achievements and commitment to home and family; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact of the Latino population continues to grow and presently the buying power exceeds \$1.7 trillion; and

WHEREAS, the total number of students of Latino heritage enrolled in New Haven Unified encompasses 38% of the total student population; and 22% of all students that speak multiple languages, speak Spanish; and

WHEREAS, the total number of students of Latino heritage enrolled in public schools statewide encompasses 54% of the total student population; and

WHEREAS, students of Latino heritage are deservedly proud of their rich and diverse cultural heritage which includes histories, cultures, and contributions which will increasingly impact the social and economic life of our community and the State of California; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the history curriculum in our schools, at every grade level, reflects the experiences of men and women of different racial, religious and ethnic groups so that each student has an opportunity to understand the common humanity of all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Haven Unified School District will commemorate Latino Heritage Month with appropriate instructional activities to recognize the significant contributions that Latinos have made in helping our nation achieve greatness.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following called vote this 4th day of September, 2018:

AYES: Canlas, Cheema, Kaur, Nishihira, Wang
Student Member Martinez, Student Member Romero

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:



Dr. Arlando Smith, Superintendent
New Haven Unified School District
County of Alameda, State of California