



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15, 2013 to October 15, 2013; and

WHEREAS, this month-long celebration recognizes the valuable contributions made by residents of Hispanic descent to all aspects of American life, including leadership in public service, business, the arts, education and civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month provides a special opportunity for teachers, schools, public and private organizations to focus on the many Hispanic Americans whose lives have shaped our common history and heritage; and

WHEREAS, during Hispanic Heritage Month and throughout the year, it is imperative to embrace our diverse history so that all children can see themselves in our Nation's past and know that they have a crucial role to play in its future; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's observance - "Hispanics: Serving and Leading Our Nation with Pride and Honor" - highlights the importance of celebrating our State's multiculturalism and working together to achieve our goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

SEPTEMBER 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 15, 2013
AS
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

in New Jersey, and urge all residents to recognize the role that our Hispanic community has played in enhancing and contributing to the rich diversity of our State.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this tenth day of September in the year two thousand thirteen, the two hundred thirty-eighth year of the Independence of the United States.

Kim Guadagno

Lt. GOVERNOR

Chris Christie

GOVERNOR