



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- Whereas,** from America's earliest days, Hispanics have played an important role in our national heritage, and continue to embody the pioneering spirit of America today, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to faith, family, and hard work; and
- Whereas,** Hispanic-owned small businesses are the fastest growing businesses in America, growing at a pace 15 times the national average over the last decade. Hispanics own more than three million businesses and are a testament to the American promise that anyone can succeed in the United States through hard work; and
- Whereas,** Hispanics have not hesitated to defend and show their allegiance to this nation in many ways and in all branches of the Armed Forces, continuing a strong legacy of dedication to our country, a melting pot of diversity; and
- Whereas,** Hispanics lift up our communities and our economy as entrepreneurs, executives, and small business owners, and make contributions in areas such as science, art, music, politics, academia, government, and sports; and
- Whereas,** this month, we recognize the countless contributions of Hispanics that help make our Nation a thriving and secure land of opportunity with a Kick-off event at the Art Center on September 13th, Inspiration Behind Success on September 19th, Youth and Talent Night on September 27th, Si Se Puede (Yes You Can) on October 4th, and a Closing Ceremony at the Riverside Park on October 12th.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim September 13 – October 15, 2019 as

“Hispanic Heritage Month”

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon public officials, educators and all Americans to observe this time with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 4th day of September, 2019.

Mayor

