WHEREAS, individuals of Hispanic heritage have made and continue to make significant contributions to American society and that of California; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans represent individuals from numerous geographic and political regions; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans may also trace their roots to the indigenous peoples of the Americas; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of this group span the fields of medicine, law, education, agriculture, sports, the arts, science, business, and government; and

WHEREAS, the cultural influences of this group have been remarkable in the food, language, and music of American culture; and

WHEREAS, the achievements of people of Hispanic origin have benefited all of society; and

WHEREAS, awareness of these contributions should be a part of a full understanding of our culture;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of Elk Grove Unified School District that September 15 through October 15, 2016, is designated as Hispanic Heritage Month and that all educational sites are encouraged to recognize the contributions of Hispanic Americans through our curriculum and activities at the school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to every school in the District.