

**Proclamation**  
**Hispanic Heritage Month**  
**September 15 – October 15, 2022**

*WHEREAS*, this month we honor Hispanic individuals and cultures for enriching the fabric of our society and being a vital component of the rich diversity that makes Clemson a vibrant and thriving community; and

*WHEREAS*, Hispanics represent a wide range of nationalities and backgrounds who share and embrace our community's rich values of faith and family, hard work, and sacrifice of generations past while contributing mightily to the promise of a prosperous city for future generations; and

*WHEREAS*, this month we recognize and re-dedicate ourselves to addressing the challenges to equality and opportunity that many Hispanics still face. In reflecting on Clemson's rich cultural diversity and heritage, let us take pride in our unique and vibrant history, and recommit to a shared future of freedom, prosperity, and opportunity for all; and

*WHEREAS*, it is incumbent upon all of us to join together to celebrate the work of Hispanic individuals from all walks of life who, in pursuit of the American dream, have made the City of Clemson their home and committed themselves to building a strong, safe, and welcoming community for all; and

*WHEREAS*, the Arts Center of Clemson, the Hispanic Alliance, Palmetto Luna, and Clemson Graduate Student, Amanda Arroyo, are partnering to celebrate with an exhibition of Hispanic/Latinx artists to include paintings, sculptures, and a 12 foot Day of the Dead skeleton, which will open on Friday, September 23rd at 6pm with food from Latin Flavorz and a Hispanic DJ.

*NOW, THEREFORE, I*, Robert Halfacre, Mayor of the City of Clemson, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of September 15th through October 15th as "Hispanic Heritage Month" in the City of Clemson.

**FURTHERMORE**, I encourage all citizens to observe and take part in activities recognizing the contributions of Hispanics to the cultural life of our city, state, nation, and world.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the great seal of the City to be affixed this 19th day of September, 2022.



Robert Halfacre, Mayor

Beverly A. Coleman, MMC