



**CITY OF CALISTOGA**

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NAPA COUNTY LATINO HERITAGE MONTH  
SEPTEMBER 15- OCTOBER 15, 2019**

*Whereas, in 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson first recognized Hispanic Heritage week, later expanded by President Reagan to one month, and each successive United States President has continued this tradition of declaring September 15 through October 15 to be National Hispanic Heritage Month and who has called upon the people of our country to observe this month with appropriate respect, ceremonies, and activities; and*

*Whereas, Napa County and Calistoga has a long history of welcoming immigrants and is home to a growing multi-ethnic and multicultural Latino population, including citizens originating from Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America, all of whom are welcome and very much appreciated; and*

*Whereas, in 2014 the Latino population became the largest ethnic group in California. In Napa County and Calistoga, the Latino population grew by 50 percent in the past 10 years. In Calistoga, this now represents 49 percent of our citizens or approximately 2,500 people and more than two-thirds of all public-school students are Latino; and*

*Whereas, the diverse Latino population of Calistoga and Napa County make a significant economic contribution and has other profound positive influences on our community through their strong commitment to family, faith, education, hard work, culture and service; and*

*Whereas, Calistoga and Napa County, which thrives on the diversity and ingenuity of all our people, also depends on the continued support and success of our diverse Latino population. We will continue to be enriched by the transcultural contributions of our Latino friends and neighbors for many decades to come, and we will continue to make efforts to create an inclusive environment where we can all thrive.*

*Now, therefore, be it resolved, that I, Michael Dunsford, Vice Mayor of the City of Calistoga, do hereby proclaim September 15-October 15, 2019, as Napa County Latino Heritage Month in the City of Calistoga.*

**Signed and sealed, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, Two Thousand  
Nineteen**

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**MICHAEL DUNSFORD**  
*Vice Mayor*