

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the growing community of Hispanic and Latino Vermonters represent at least 2.2 percent of Vermont’s population, increased from 1.6 percent in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Vermont recognizes the presence and pride of its Hispanic and Latino residents and visitors who have held important roles in the country’s economic, artistic, and cultural evolution, and whose culture and heritage adds richness to the state’s social and physical landscapes; and

WHEREAS, Vermont recognizes many of the civil liberties and legal freedoms enjoyed by people in the United States were the direct result of advocacy and struggle by the Hispanic and Latino community; and

WHEREAS, landmark cases involving the advocacy and struggle of the United States Hispanic and Latino population, such as *Miranda v. Arizona*, 384 U.S. 436 (1966) and *Mendez v. Westminster*, 64 F.Supp. 544 (S.D. Cal. 1946), paved the way for the years-long series of litigation that culminated in *Brown v. Board*, 347 U.S. 483 (1954); and

WHEREAS, despite these historic gains, the Hispanic and Latino community still endures discrimination and systemic barriers across the country; and

WHEREAS, Vermont renews its commitment to eliminating those barriers and achieving more meaningful inclusion for Hispanic and Latino residents and visitors of Vermont, including and especially for undocumented Vermonters, who are among the more vulnerable members of our communities.

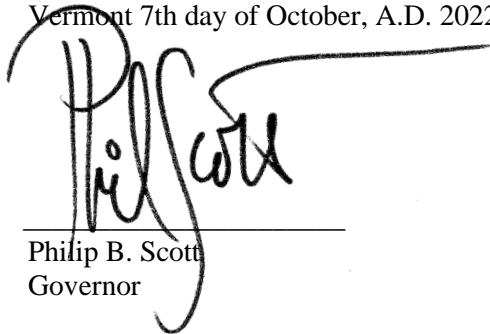
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim September 15 – October 15, 2022 as


HISPANIC AND LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont 7th day of October, A.D. 2022.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs