

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION NO. 21-

**RESOLUTION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 15 TO OCTOBER 15, 2021
AS NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month (a federal designation) from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the heritage, culture, and contributions of the Latino/Hispanic community in the United States, people who whose ancestry derives from Latin America and the Caribbean; and

WHEREAS, in taking pride in the United States of America's rich and vibrant Latino/Hispanic heritage and the contributions of those who have gone before, we also recommit to carrying on their legacy of building a strong foundation on which all can continue to grow and form a future of freedom, prosperity, and opportunity for all; and

WHEREAS, it is the vision of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) to bring together diverse perspectives and backgrounds to promote the understanding, valuing, acceptance, and leveraging of diverse cultures, experiences, knowledge, lifestyles, and perspectives in order to enhance the delivery of products and services to the community; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Organization for Latino Affairs (OLA), an employee resource group of Valley Water, to create an environment of equality, fairness, and inclusion in which all Valley Water employees are valued and have an equal opportunity to develop and contribute to their full potential to support Policy GP 7.7.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District hereby recognizes September 15 to October 15, 2021 as National Hispanic Heritage Month and will acknowledge the period through a variety of educational and informational activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by the following vote on September 14, 2021:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

ABSTAIN: Directors

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST: MICHELE L. KING, CMC

Clerk, Board of Directors

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