

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Missoula, Montana is a welcoming and inclusive community; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic Heritage Month started in 1968 under President Johnson as a week-long celebration and was expanded to a month-long celebration in 1988 by President Reagan. It is celebrated annually from September 15 to October 15; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Missoula recognizes and celebrates the many contributions of our Hispanic and Latino community members, who have enriched our city through educational, artistic, culinary, and many other pursuits. Missoula was recently ranked the 8<sup>th</sup> best city in the United States for Hispanic entrepreneurs; and

**WHEREAS**, Through community collaboration, educational programming, and a celebration of artistic expression, the upcoming Viva Montana Latin heritage festival aims to inspire connection, pride, and joy among all who attend.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andrea Davis, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 15th day of September through the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025 as:

## HISPANIC & LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year two thousand twenty



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrea Davis".

Andrea Davis  
Mayor