

## Mayor Christian Price

**Whereas**, the history of the State of Arizona and the City of Maricopa are similar and parallel with the history of Hispanics in our great City; and

**Whereas**, according to the United States Census Bureau, in 2015, 24% of the residents in Maricopa were of Hispanic background; and

**Whereas**, according to the United States Census Bureau, by 2020, 27% of residents of Maricopa will be of Hispanic background, and Americans of Hispanic descent make contributions in every facet of our society; and

**Whereas**, according to a Arizona State University 2010 study, more than \$35 billion dollars flow into Arizona's economy by the state's Hispanic community, that has created an enormous impact which positively contributes to the quality of life for all Arizonans; and

**Whereas**, Hispanic Americans enrich our culture and arts, serve at every level of government, contribute to our state's economy by creating business opportunities and jobs, serve valiantly in the military and law enforcement; and have played a significant role in making our state strong and prosperous; and

**Whereas**, Hispanic Heritage Month pays tribute to, and recognizes the numerous outstanding accomplishments, past and present, that these individuals made to our city, our state, nation and the world, and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christian Price, Mayor of the City of Maricopa, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, as "HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH" in Maricopa and call upon the citizens of this community to observe and commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month as we continue our commitment of being a "great place to live and work."

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018

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Christian Price, Mayor