

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE  
4 RESOLUTION 40

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution declaring May 10, 2022, as the 6th  
8 annual Hispanic Cultural Day in Oklahoma; and  
9 recognizing the heritage, culture, and contributions  
10 of Hispanics to the State of Oklahoma.

11 WHEREAS, Hispanics are those who identify their origin as the  
12 heritage, nationality group, lineage, or country of their birth or  
13 that of their parents or ancestors before their arrival into the  
14 United States; and

15 WHEREAS, Spanish-speaking countries include Argentina, Bolivia,  
16 Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El  
17 Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, México, Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay,  
18 Perú, Spain, Uruguay, Venezuela, and the Commonwealth of Puerto  
19 Rico; and

20 WHEREAS, Hispanics have been a part of the geography and history  
21 of Oklahoma since the 16th Century when the Spanish initially  
22 claimed Oklahoma, specifically the Oklahoma Panhandle; and

23 WHEREAS, the first exploration of Oklahoma was led by the  
24 Spaniard Francisco Vásquez de Coronado and his army in 1541 on their

1 journey to conquer the Seven Cities of Cibola or Quivira, the area  
2 known today as Cimarron County; and

3 WHEREAS, the majority of Oklahoma's Hispanic population live in  
4 the cities of Oklahoma City, Tulsa, and Guymon; and

5 WHEREAS, Hispanics have migrated to the State of Oklahoma hoping  
6 for better lives than the ones they left behind; and

7 WHEREAS, the influence of Hispanics in Oklahoma is a result of  
8 their perseverance through hard times as well as their innate  
9 yearning to establish a sense of place.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
11 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

12 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares May 10, 2022, as the 6th  
13 annual Hispanic Cultural Day in Oklahoma.

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes the heritage, culture,  
15 and immense contributions of Hispanics to the State of Oklahoma.

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