Sioux City Community School District
Board of Education
RESOLUTION HONORING NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, In 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued a proclamation establishing the celebration of the Hispanic Heritage Week in the United States of America to recognize, cherish, and conserve the many cultural contributions of the people who have helped achieve the greatness of our nation; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress enacted Public Law 100-402, executed by President Ronald Reagan on August 17, 1988, extending the celebration to cover 30 days, starting on September 15 and ending on October 15 of each year, as National Hispanic Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, September 15 is the anniversary of independence of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; September 16 the anniversary of the independence of Mexico, and September 18 the anniversary of the independence of Chile; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Census reveals that 60,481,746, of the 328,239,523 population in the United States; 197,482 of the 3,155,070 people in Iowa; 18,746 of the 105,941 inhabitants in Woodbury County, and 17,958 of the 85,791 residents of Sioux City; representing the 18.4%, 6.3%, 18%, and 21%, respectively, are Hispanic; and

WHEREAS, the Sioux City Community School District has a population of 15,000 students and honors the contributions of all the students in the District; and

WHEREAS, 34% of the Sioux City Community School District's student body is Hispanic, including students born in America from Hispanic lineage, as well as students that arrived from Guatemala, Mexico, El Salvador, Puerto Rico, Honduras, Cuba, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Nicaragua and that call Sioux City, home; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage is American Heritage, and our strength as a nation is in our people.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that during this month, we will be celebrating the histories, stories, traditions, gastronomy, music, folklore, and culture of members of our community who trace their genealogy to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean, and that make immeasurable contributions to our economy, industry, agriculture, enterprise, academia, art, science, engineering, armed forces and so forth, and that love this Country as their own.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors invites our entire community to learn more about the Hispanic culture and that the Board of Education will reaffirm this Resolution annually.

ADOPTED by ACTION of the BOARD this __ day of October 2021.

Ayes: Aaron, Tony, Albert, Collin, Goodwin,
Greenwell, Kait, Scarlett

Nays: N/A

[Signatures]

Board President: Date: 10-11-2021
Superintendent: Date: 10-11-2021