

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL**  
**MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

# Proclamation

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL TO RECOGNIZE SEPTEMBER 15, 2024  
THROUGH OCTOBER 15, 2024 AS NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, on September 17, 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law the National Hispanic Heritage Week Bill, which authorized the President to designate the week of September 15 as “National Hispanic Heritage Week,” which was first observed in 1968; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1988, President Ronald W. Reagan signed into law the creation of National Hispanic Heritage Month. U.S. Rep. Esteban Torres, a proponent of the bill, noted that supporters “want the American people to learn of our heritage. We want the public to know that we share a legacy with the rest of the country, a legacy that includes artists, writers, Olympic champions, and leaders in business, government, cinema, and science;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hopewell is honored to join the federal government and citizens throughout the country in recognizing September 15, 2024, through October 15, 2024, as National Hispanic Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hopewell honors and celebrates the contributions of Hispanic Americans in our history across the nation, as well as celebrating the contributions of Hispanic Americans who currently serve our communities here in Hopewell Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hopewell, in its continued effort for equity and diversity, remains dedicated to providing resources for Spanish-speaking communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Mayor Courtney Peters-Manning of the Township of Hopewell, proclaim September 15, 2024, through October 15, 2024, as National Hispanic Heritage Month.

*In Witness Whereof, I Hereunto Set My  
Hand and Cause to be Affixed the  
Seal of the Township of Hopewell  
This 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024*

*Courtney Peters-Manning*

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Mayor*