

# Proclamation

*For the month of September 15 – October 15, 2016*

*Hispanic Heritage Month*

*State of Florida, County of Pinellas*

*Proclamation by the Pinellas County School Board*

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County School Board recognizes that Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence on our county through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service; and

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County School Board celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month, whose roots go back to 1968, by recognizing the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States; and

WHEREAS, this effort will bring awareness to our schools, community, and around the country to share in this special annual tribute by learning and celebrating the generations of the Hispanic and Latino Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Pinellas County School Board by virtue of the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim, September 15 to October 15, 2016 as *Hispanic Heritage Month* in Pinellas County Schools and in doing so urge all citizens to join in a national effort to recognize the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture.

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Peggy L. O'Shea, Chairperson

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Dr. Michael A. Grego, Superintendent