

**NOVATO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION No. 5 – 2015/2016**

**HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, During **National Hispanic Heritage Month** (September 15 to October 15) Novato Unified School District recognizes the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence on our country through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multi-ethnic and multi-cultural customs of their community; and

WHEREAS, **Hispanic Heritage Month**, whose roots go back to 1968, begins each year on September 15, the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico, Chile and Belize also celebrate their independence days during this period and Columbus Day (Día de la Raza) is October 12.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Novato Unified School District Board of Trustees does hereby support September 15 to October, 2015, as **Hispanic Heritage Month** and encourages participation in this special annual tribute by learning and celebrating the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this September 15, 2015, at the regular meeting of the Novato Unified School District Board of Education.

AYES: 6  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0  
ABSENT: 1

Attest:  9-15-15  
Clerk, Novato Unified School District Board of Trustees