

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN

GOVERNOR

MEXICO'S INDEPENDENCE MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on September 16, 1810, after being under Spanish rule for three centuries, Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla sparked the fight for independence as he united the citizens of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, each year, people of Mexican ancestry throughout the world – including many residents of the State of North Carolina – gather to celebrate and reflect upon the history and people who fought for their nation's independence; and

WHEREAS, each year "Mes Patrio," Mexico's Independence Month, is celebrated from the 1st of September to the 30th of September, and Mexico's independence day on the 16th of September; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina openly embraces the state's distinct cultural diversity and serves as home to many residents of Mexican descent; and

WHEREAS, among all North Carolina Hispanic or Latino residents, including those born in the United States, 54 percent identify Mexican as their primary ancestry; and

WHEREAS, we are further inspired by the economic, social, and cultural contributions of the Mexican community within North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, we understand that although this binational recognition lasts each year for one month, we work year-round to create a more socially and culturally welcoming society with equality for all people;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2025 as "**MEXICO'S INDEPENDENCE MONTH**" in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.

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JOSH STEIN
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IN WI LESS WHER OF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this third day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.