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MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State

By *Rhon E. DeLeon*
Deputy Secretary of State

Executive Department
State of California

WHEREAS, Diez-y-Seis de Septiembre is a date recognized by many Californians as the commemoration of the struggle for independence by Mexico in 1821; and

WHEREAS, California is a state that has been strongly influenced by Mexican history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Americans of Hispanic descent from throughout Latin America have also made significant contributions to the United States in general and to California in particular; and

WHEREAS, this observance gives all of us an opportunity to honor the enrichment of California by the diverse Hispanic traditions and cultures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and the statutes of the State of California, do hereby declare and proclaim the week of September 14 through 18, 1981 as Hispanic Heritage Week and urge all Californians to commemorate this week as our observance by a pluralistic society of the noble principles relating to human rights and individual freedom to which we as a people are dedicated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 14th day of September 1981.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

March Fong Eu
Secretary of State

by *Anthony P. Pelle*
Deputy Secretary of State

