

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 17, 2008**

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**DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS**  
**DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN**

**SUBJECT:**  
**RECOGNITION OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

Minutes:

No motion required. A presentation was made.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW recognized the efforts of some groups of the Hispanic Community and listed the Independence Days for several Latin American countries. He also invited everyone to the upcoming Hispanic Heritage Parade which will take place in the downtown area on October 11th at 10:00 a.m.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW invited JUDY FLEISCHMAN, President of the Bariqua Association, and MARY MATOS, Co-Founder of the Bariqua Association, to join him at the podium. He described the fundraising efforts of the Bariqua Association to raise money for their scholarship program by hosting several community events, including the Puerto Rican Day Festival in May. He commended MRS. MATOS for her commitment to the Puerto Rican community and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation. He also presented a proclamation to Bariqua Association for their outstanding achievements in the community.

MRS. FLEISCHMAN thanked the Council for the recognition and also thanked the previous presidents of the Bariqua Association for their hard work to promote the Puerto Rican culture. She underscored the many challenges involved in hosting community events. MRS. MATOS also thanked the Bariqua Association for the acknowledgement.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW recognized the Colombian Association of Las Vegas for their year-round fundraising for their scholarship programs and also noted their charitable activities within the community. He invited CARMAN MAJAN and VICTOR RODRIGUEZ, President of the Colombian Association of Las Vegas, to the podium where he presented a Certificate of Appreciation to MRS. MAJAN and the Proclamation to MR. RODRIGUEZ.

MR. RODRIGUEZ and MRS. MAJAN thanked the Council for their recognition of the work accomplished by the Colombian Association.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW also recognized the Hispanic Pastoral Council for its work in the community, including immunization events, housing financial assistance, partnering with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and neighborhood beautification projects. He invited DIEGO TRUJILLO and DR. JOEL MENCHACA, Pastor and Founder of the Hispanic Pastoral Council, to the podium where he congratulated them on all their work in the community.

MR. TRUJILLO thanked the Council for the recognition and stated that it was a great honor for the Hispanic faith community to be able to give back to the City. He also recognized the work of DR. MENCHACA and thanked him for his guidance and wisdom, as well as MARIA CASTILLO-COUCH for her efforts in working with them.