TOWN OF PEMBROKE PARK PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SEPTEMBER 2023

WHEREAS, each year, the United States observes National Hispanic Heritage Month by celebrating the culture, heritage and countless contributions of those whose ancestors were indigenous to North America as well as those who came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America and South America; and

WHEREAS, what began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Johnson was expanded by President Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15; and

WHEREAS, the date September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Additionally, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively; and

WHEREAS, recognize and honor the many ways that Hispanics have enriched the fabric of our society while also rededicating ourselves to address the lack of equal access to opportunity that many still face; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics continue their rich tradition of significant and diverse contributions to the cultural, educational, economic and political vitality of the Town of Pembroke Park; and

NOW, THEREFORE WE, Mayor Ashira Mohammed, Vice Mayor Erik Morrissette, Clerk Commissioner William R. Hodgkins, Acting Clerk Commissioner Musfika Kashem and Commissioner Geoffrey Jacobs by virtue of the authority vested by the Town of Pembroke Park do hereby proclaim the month of September as

Dated this 13th day of September, 2023.

Mayor Ashira Mohammed

Vice Mayor Erik Morrissette

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Clerk Commissioner William R. Hodgkins

Acting Clerk Commissioner Musfika Kashem

Commissioner Geoffrey Jacobs