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National Hispanic Heritage Month

OCOEE, Fla. – In honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month, the City of Ocoee recognizes the diverse contributions of its Hispanic and Latino residents who have enriched and shaped our community for generations. The city is proud to join the nationwide observance of Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15 to celebrate the Hispanic community's heritage and culture.

A proclamation in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month was read at the Ocoee City Commission meeting on September 17. Motorists traveling on Clarke Road will see festive “Ocoee Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month” pole banners along the street. Colorful framed posters featuring Hispanic art greet visitors to Ocoee City Hall.

The city’s government station, Ocoee TV, is airing a series titled “Latino Americans: The 500-Year Legacy that Shaped a Nation.” “Latino Americans” is a landmark six-hour documentary featuring interviews with nearly 100 Latinos and more than 500 years of history. The series is the first major television documentary to chronicle the rich and varied history and experience of Latinos. For the past 500-plus years, Latinos have helped shape what is today the United States and have become, with more than 50 million people, the largest minority group in America.

Viewers can watch the seven, one-hour episodes on Spectrum Channel 493 on these days at 6 p.m. through the end of October: “Empire of Dreams” on Mondays; “War and Peace” on Tuesdays; “The New Latinos” on Wednesdays; “Prejudice and Pride” on Thursdays; “Perile and Promise” on Fridays; “Famous Hispanic Americans” on Saturdays and “Foreigners in Their Own Land” on Sundays.

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