## FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

## **RESOLUTION 2013-04**

## HONORING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the United States commemorates and celebrates the heritage and culture of Hispanics in America; and

WHEREAS, beginning on September 15, 2012, through October 15, 2012, the United States celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans have contributed significantly to the economic, cultural, spiritual and political development of the Fairbanks North Star Borough; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans value knowledge and learning; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic American students historically have comprised over seven percent of the student body in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District; and

WHEREAS, over twenty Hispanic American teachers distinguish themselves as educators in Fairbanks North Star Borough School District classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic American principals lead their schools with vision; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans serve on the school board with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic American exempt, paraprofessional and classified staff support all students' learning; and

WHEREAS, all citizens will benefit from an accurate portrayal of Hispanic heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, research findings suggest that presenting Hispanic American culture, history and perspective in the classroom promotes academic success for Hispanic American students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education proclaims September 15, 2012, through October 15, 2012 Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages schools and teachers to honor it with performances, readings, guest speakers, displays, lessons, lectures, and cultural celebrations.

PASSED AND APPROVED: September 4, 2012

Kristina Brophy, President

Board of Education

ATTEST:

Sharon Tuttle

Secretary to the Board

