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Mayor Healy & City Officials to Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, the Municipal Council, the Division of Cultural Affairs and the Hudson County Hispanic Heritage Foundation proudly announce the celebration of **Hispanic Heritage Month**, which will take place from **5:30 pm to 9 p.m.** on **Thursday, October 4, 2012** in the **Council Hall Chamber at City Hall, 280 Grove Street.**

“Jersey City recognizes the important contributions of the Hispanic community, not only in our city but throughout our nation,” said **Mayor Healy**. “This celebration is a joyful reminder of the outstanding contributions the Hispanic community has given to Jersey City, enhancing the economic, social, and cultural life of our great city.”

Each year, the **Hudson County Hispanic Heritage Foundation** recalls the indomitable spirit of the Hispanic-American community, whose rich heritage and tradition is celebrated across the country during Hispanic Heritage Month. Individuals are recognized and honored for these contributions, and all that they have accomplished. This year’s Hispanic-American honorees are: Alex Perez, Lillian Hernandez, Frank Rentas, Lucy Santiago, Noemi Escobar, Patricia Bullon, Susan Pabon, Maria Nieves and Hector Ortiz.

Hispanic Heritage Month is observed each year from **September 15 to October 15** with celebrations recognizing the history, culture, and contributions of Hispanic-American citizens. September 15th is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries such as Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, with the independence day of Mexico and Chile on the 16 and 18 of September.

There will be food and music on the 3rd Floor of City Hall.

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