

BY COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIELA SANTIAGO-ROMERO

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE AS IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, The United States is a multicultural nation owing to the migration of individuals who came here of their own volition and those who were forcibly brought here against their will; and

WHEREAS, Detroit, Michigan, is a city that thrives in part due to the generations of migrants who have contributed to our country socially, culturally, and economically through centuries of hard work, blood, sweat, and tears; and

WHEREAS, Despite their numerous contributions to building and enriching Detroit and the nation, migrants have and continue to face discrimination, hate, and violence; and

WHEREAS, Detroit, Michigan is a certified Welcoming City that values its diverse population, including large communities of Latinx/Hispanic, Arab/Middle Eastern, North African, African, Caribbean, South and East Asian descent, as well as migrant communities from around the globe; and

WHEREAS, On May 20, 2025, the Detroit City Council passed the Language Access Ordinance, which ensures that individuals who speak a language other than English have regular access to interpretation services as part of all city departments' standard procedures; and

WHEREAS, Immigrants have been tireless leaders in securing their rights and access to equal opportunity and campaigning to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council recognizes June as Immigrant Heritage Month in Detroit.