



**Hispanic Heritage Month
September 25, 2014**

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo issued a [proclamation](#) declaring September 15, 2014 to October 15, 2014 Hispanic Heritage Month. The month long celebration commemorates the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Also, September marks the anniversary of Mexico and Chile's independence. This year's theme, "Hispanics: A legacy of history, a present of action and a future of success," allows us to celebrate those with a Hispanic descent and all their accomplishments within New York state government, DOCCS and other state agencies. Acting Commissioner Anthony J. Annucci and the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision Central Office has chosen to officially celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a guest speaker followed by a reception.