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The Honorable Members of the City Council
City of Mount Vernon
One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, New York 10550

RE: Third Latino Festival – Hartley Park

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Department of Recreation, in partnership with Miztli Culture Art & Music Inc, requests that the City Council adopt an ordinance allowing us to co-sponsor the Third Latino Festival. This event, scheduled for Saturday, August 15, 2026, from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, will be held in Hartley Park.

The Third Latino Festival promises to be a vibrant celebration of diversity and community spirit. Its success here in our city brings a rich tapestry of traditions, art, music, and cuisine worldwide. From vibrant dance performances to engaging workshops that highlight various cultural practices, the event promotes a deeper understanding and appreciation among attendees. The event aims to transform the green space into a lively hub where people of all ages and backgrounds can come and share experiences in addition to celebrating the mosaic of cultures that enrich our society.

The department will assist in with providing tables and chairs. Recreation staff scheduled to be on-site will help with cleanup and garbage collection.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Walker Pinckney, Commissioner
Department of Recreation

cc: André G. Early, Deputy Commissioner
Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard
City Clerk