



## **Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia**

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### **CSOSA COMMEMORATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH “A CELEBRATION OF DIVERSITY”**

The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), in conjunction with The Special Observance Committee and Community Supervision Services announces their program for this year's HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH celebration. The program is entitled “A CELEBRATION OF DIVERSITY.” The program has two events, the first being held September 18 at 633 Indiana Avenue, NW, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, rooms 4A/B, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Additionally, a presentation will be given on September 20, 2002, at 11:00 a.m. 300 Indiana Ave., NW, Rm 2066. The keynote speaker will be Mr. Hugo Medrano, Producing Artistic Director, GALA Hispanic Theater here in Washington, D.C. Mr. Medrano received the 2000 Excellence in Entrepreneurship and Community Involvement Award from the Latino Economic Development Corporation. He is also a past recipient of the Helen Hayes Award, winning Outstanding Lead Actor in 1994.

The Congress, by Public Law 100-402, has authorized and requested the President to issue annually a proclamation designating September 15 through October 15, as "National Hispanic Heritage Month." In his proclamation to the nation, President Bush stated “National Hispanic Heritage Month provides us an opportunity to express deep appreciation to Hispanic Americans for their countless contributions to our society and to pay tribute again to America's distinctive diversity.” CSOSA Director, Paul A. Quander, Jr. also stated “Hispanic Americans possess a rich heritage from which all of America benefits.”

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