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RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Payne	X			
Osman	X			
Chughtai	X			
Wonsley	X			
Rainville	X			
Vetaw	X			
Warren	X			
Shaffer	X			
Stevenson	X			
Chavez	X			
Whiting	X			
Chowdhury	X			
Palmisano	X			

MAYOR ACTION

APPROVED

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MAYOR

MAY 14 2026

DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Presented to Mayor: MAY 08 2026

Received from Mayor: MAY 14 2026

Recognizing the historical significance of Dia de la Batalla de Puebla, the Mexican Holiday of Cinco de Mayo.

Whereas, the Cinco de Mayo holiday commemorates May 5, 1862, which was the date that Mexicans were victorious over the French at the Battle of Puebla; and

Whereas, the victory of Mexico over France at Puebla represented the strength, resiliency, and courage of Mexicans to defend their own community; and

Whereas, sacrifices made by Mexicans battling European forces were instrumental in keeping Mexico from falling under European domination; and

Whereas, the Battle of Puebla was fought by Indigenous people who fought against one of the most powerful nations in the world; and

Whereas, Cinco de Mayo represents the victory and survival of the Mexican population; and

Whereas, one third of the United States belonged to Mexico, but before that acquisition, our ancestors freely crossed the Rio Grande when there was no border; and

Whereas, the foundation of the United States was created by individuals from diverse countries and cultures willing to sacrifice their lives for freedom; and

Whereas, the celebration of Cinco de Mayo provides an opportunity to celebrate and experience Mexican culture in the United States, to demonstrate cultural pride and to highlight the contributions and influence of language, culture and traditions by Mexicans and individuals of Mexican ancestry; and

Whereas, Mexican Minnesotans make up the third largest cultural group in Minnesota, with 213,800 residents; and

Whereas, Mexican culture, ingenuity, and traditions, including those that originated from Puebla, Mexico, are part of the social fabric of the city of Minneapolis; and

Whereas, Plaza Mexico will be hosting its "5 de Mayo Festival" on Lake Street and Portland Ave South to Lake Street and 2nd Ave South on May 10, 2026, from 11 a.m.–8 p.m.;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the Mayor and City Council do hereby recognize the historical significance of the Mexican holiday of Cinco de Mayo and the importance of the Mexican community in Minneapolis and Minnesota and encourage residents of the City of Minneapolis to observe Cinco de Mayo with appropriate ceremonies and activities and learn more about the rich history and culture of the Mexican community here in our city and state.