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LATINO HERITAGE MONTH
MALCOLM X COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that during the remaining month of September through October 13, 2005 the Latino Heritage Month Committee chaired Professor Gabriela Muralles Ball in conjunction with the Office of Enrollment Management and Student Services sponsored an array of activities celebrating and culminating Latino Heritage Month.

FURTHER

that on September 20, 2005 a Latino Artist Exhibit reception featuring Latino artists Carlos Jimenez, Fernando Rosado and Victor Montañez, was hosted in the President's foyer where students, staff and faculty met with and spoke to the artist about their art. Approximately 75-100 participants attended the reception throughout the day.

that Emma Lozano President of Pueblo Sin Fronteras, a community based organization, made a presentation at the Student Leadership Institute on "Community Leadership" where approximately 50 students were in attendance and actively participated.

that on September 21, 2005 David Hernandez, well known Latino Poet and a recipient of the Gwendolyn Brooks Outstanding Poet of Illinois Award, provided poetry readings accompanied with his musical ensemble "Street Sounds Media", combining contemporary social and cultural themes with warmth and humor. Approximately 150 participants were present.

that world-renowned Latin dance instructor, Saladeen Alamin in a series of four to five dance instruction workshops, provided staff, faculty and students Mambo, Cha Cha and Salsa dance lessons. Approximately 50-75 participants were present who enjoyed and participated in the Latin Dance lessons.

that on September 22, 2005 and on October 6, 2005 a Latino film series and lecture on "EL Norte" and "Carnivals of the Caribbean" was conducted by Professor Gabriela Muralles – Ball who actively engaged the 50-60 students who participated in the discussion.

that on October 11, 2005 Professor Cranston Knight conducted a lecture series at the Student Leadership Institute on the "School of the Americas". Approximately 50 students actively participated in this lecture topic.

that on October 13, 2005 the Closing Ceremony culminated with a Latin dance (Gran Baile) with live music and a Taste of Latin America. Approximately 400 students from community-based organizations were present to celebrate the closing of Latino Heritage Month.

The week of activities held during Latino Heritage Month has provided the college as a whole with an educational perspective and a wealth of information and cultural awareness about celebrating Latinos in all aspects of life.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chancellor

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