Hello my name is Yair Garcia and what Hispanic Heritage Month means to me is Honor. Here in America we strive to be the best we can, we get influenced, we can even influence! We try to be the best, it doesn't matter what race we are to play video games, enjoy music, we do those things no matter what. Every parent forces themselves to work hard to give their children, our generation, a better life; So when we get older we pass it on to the next generation.

When Julian Castro says " Our families don't always cross the finish line in the span of one generation." It means to me that me that some of your ancestors may have never made it here to America, but they sent your grandparents here, so THEY could have a better life. Some countries may not be as nice as ours, they may not be clean, they could be way different. Even with that there are still parents out there working hard in slum countries to give their children food to eat, clothes to wear, a bed to sleep on, so that they could pass that on to their kids, the next generation.

My grandparents, they worked hard to get here, they worked hard, very hard, to bring my mom here, so she could start her life in a good country, one where there was something called Opportunity. My dad came here from Peru, when he was 20, searching for an opportunity to do something with his life. It's Awesome how much Hispanic Heritage Month can make a difference in someone's life, it's not just just about the celebration, it's also about the tradition, what WE bring to the United States. We bring a lot of stuff into this country, we may get criticized for that, we may not, that's just how it goes.

I'm Hispanic and entering this contest, it means a lot, because it lets me express my feelings about this month, and what it means to me. It's also a celebration of our tradition, our culture,

and how we're helping this country be its best. That is what Hispanic Heritage Month means to me.