



“El Grito de Dolores” (The Cry of Dolores)

El Grito is known as the cry for independence. Miguel Hidalgo, a priest from the small town of Dolores, Mexico (near Guanajuato) made an inspiring speech that called for a revolution against injustice.

Hidalgo stood up in front of his congregation of followers who came from many different backgrounds including Native Mexicans and Mestizo (mixed Spanish and Native American) to fight back and reclaim Mexico and other nations.

While Mexican Independence Day is celebrated on September 16th, every year on September 15th, the President of Mexico and people all over the world commemorate this cry with reenactments and celebrations.

El Grito is also the name of one of many murals that are located at El Pueblo Historical Monument. The mural tells a visual story of this historic annual holiday.