

THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL,
SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

A RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 12TH AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLE’S DAY

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio values the many contributions made to our community through indigenous people’s knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that has substantially shaped the character of the City of San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, indigenous people have developed and sustained a diversity of natural resources which enrich and delight the world today; and

WHEREAS, indigenous people recognize the need for raising awareness of their heritage and culture through education; and

WHEREAS, the story of indigenous people in San Antonio is an integral part of our heritage and a foundation for the designation of the Missions by UNESCO as a world heritage site; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is a clear message that world governments are increasing their focus on indigenous identity; and

WHEREAS, October 12, 1492 is one of the most impactful dates to all indigenous people of the Americas and marked the beginning of the colonization of indigenous people that forever changed indigenous identity, cultures and achievements; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council recognizes each October 12th as Indigenous People’s Day.

SECTION 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes, or in the event eight affirmative votes are not received, on the tenth day after passage.

***PASSED AND APPROVED** this 19th day of November, 2015.*

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Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney