



The Council of the City of Albuquerque

October 7, 2015

WHEREAS, Albuquerque recognizes the occupation of New Mexico's homelands for the building of our City and knows indigenous nations have lived upon this land since time immemorial and values the progress of our society accomplished through and by American Indian thought, culture, and technology; and

WHEREAS, the idea of Indigenous Peoples Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native nations to the United Nations-sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to reveal a more accurate historical record of the "discovery" of the United States of America, representatives from 120 Indigenous nations at the First Continental Conference on 500 years of Indian Resistance, unanimously passed a resolution to transform Second Monday of October into an occasion to recognize the contributions of Indigenous people despite enormous efforts against native nations; and

WHEREAS, Albuquerque has a strong history throughout the years of supporting the American Indian Community and its citizens advancement in our current society and Albuquerque shall continue its efforts to promote the well-being and growth of Albuquerque's American Indian Community and Indigenous Community; and

WHEREAS, Albuquerque encourages businesses, organizations and public entities to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day which shall be used to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of Indigenous people on this land, and to celebrate the thriving culture and value that our Indigenous nations add to our City.

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE, HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE SECOND MONDAY OF OCTOBER AS

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

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