



INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY 2015

- WHEREAS,** The year 2015 marks the 23rd anniversary celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Berkeley, begun in 1992 in commemoration of five hundred years of survival and renewal of Native cultures in the face of political and cultural repression; and
- WHEREAS,** The Indigenous Peoples Day Committee, a community group of local Native people and others, have once again organized the annual celebration with an Indigenous Peoples Day Pow Wow and Indian Market in Martin Luther King Jr. Civic Center Park on Saturday, October 10th; and
- WHEREAS,** The Indigenous culture flourishing in the Berkeley area since time immemorial was a sustainable peaceful culture based on cooperation among neighbors, on respect for the land and for all creatures living on it; and this Indigenous culture was disrupted and destroyed in Berkeley as in almost all parts of this hemisphere, and yet it has survived; and
- WHEREAS,** The Indigenous Peoples Day Pow Wow and Indian Market has brought greater understanding to the people of Berkeley regarding Native cultures and the enormous contributions they have made, and continue to make, to world culture.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Berkeley that it hereby proclaims Saturday, October 10th, 2015 as

Indigenous Peoples Day

in the City of Berkeley; does hereby offer our gratitude to Native People on behalf of the people of Berkeley, in recognition of the Indigenous care for this land, and in honor of Indigenous culture and philosophy, which are needed now more than ever if the planet is to survive.

Mayor Tom Bates

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