

Executive Order

From the

Office of the Mayor

Whereas, Prehistoric New Mexico was a hub of trade between Meso-America and Pueblo peoples where goods like macaw feathers, chocolate, and marine shells were exchanged for native materials such as turquoise; and

Whereas, New Mexico was the site of the first revolution against European Imperialism, which became known as the Pueblo Revolt of 1680; and

Whereas, Pueblos surrounding Albuquerque stand as a testament of the resilience of Indigenous people throughout history; and

Whereas, Today, Albuquerque has one of the top five urban Indian populations in the country and is home to nearly 55,000 Native Americans who represent as many as 408 tribes from across the country; and

Whereas, The City of Albuquerque employs Native Americans in almost every department and is committed to increasing the representation of Native Americans in its workforce; and

Whereas, The Commission on Indian Affairs was established by the City of Albuquerque as a way of ensuring that Native Americans are properly represented; and

Now, Therefore, I, Timothy M. Keller, Mayor of the City of Albuquerque, do hereby proclaim, October 8th, 2018, as:

“Indigenous Peoples Day”