

Executive Order From the Office of the Mayor

Whereas, the City of Albuquerque, incorporated in 1891, acknowledges that it was built on the ancestral homelands of Indigenous Peoples and is now home to nearly 60,000 Native American residents who represent as many as 408 tribes from across North America; and

Whereas, historically New Mexico was a hub of trade and cultural exchange between Meso American and North American Indigenous peoples and became the site of the first revolution against European Imperialism, known as the Pueblo Revolt of 1680; and

Whereas, the Pueblos and Tribes surrounding Albuquerque including Isleta, Laguna, Sandia, Santa Ana, and the Navajo Nation continue to stand as a testament to the resilience of Indigenous Peoples throughout history, including their continued survival during the current COVID-19 pandemic, "We are still here"; and

Whereas, the current social and political climate has seen a rise in threats against Human Rights and Civil Rights in Albuquerque and across America particularly for People of Color, and

Whereas, the City of Alb<mark>uq</mark>uerque created the Race, History and Healing Project to begin to address the need for truth and healing; and

Whereas, the City of Albuquerque reaffirms its dedication and commitment to the Rights of Indigenous Peoples achieving equitable participation with its Native American residents in all aspects of civic life and its continuing commitment to engage in government-to-government consultation practices as set forth in City Ordinance 2-6-6-1 by establishing the Commission on American Indian and Alaska Native Affairs to regularly consult with tribal governments, and

Whereas, the City of Albuquerque by its actions is following the United States Constitution, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the NM State Tribal Collaboration Act, and the NM Replace Columbus Day As Indigenous Peoples' Act; and

Now Therefore, I, Timothy M. Keller, Mayor of Albuquerque, do hereby proclaim, October 12, 2020, as:

"Indigenous Peoples Day"

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

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Order No.

Ethan Watson, City Clerk

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