

TO PROCLAIM THE SECOND MONDAY OF OCTOBER AS *INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY*

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO PROCLAIM the second Monday of each October as *Indigenous Peoples' Day*.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article IX, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation"), the Tribal Council of the Nation (the "Tribal Council") is authorized to enact legislation, rules and regulations for the general good of the Nation and for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the Nation to proclaim the second Monday of October as *Indigenous Peoples' Day* in order to appropriately honor and pay respect to the Indigenous Peoples across the Americas and to appreciate the Indigenous cultures and histories.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited the proclamation that the second Monday of October is hereby declared as *Indigenous Peoples' Day*, effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on October 8, 2022. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 17 -23 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.


Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date: 10-12-22

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Purpose/Need of Council Bill: The purpose of this Bill is to proclaim the second Monday of October as *Indigenous Peoples' Day* in order to honor the Indigenous Peoples living in the Americas peacefully before and after the arrival of Christopher Columbus. Furthermore, proclaiming the second Monday of October as *Indigenous Peoples' Day* will pay respect to the Indigenous cultures, lands, and ways of life that were lost, destroyed or negatively impacted by Columbus's arrival.

Title of Council Bill: **TO PROCLAIM THE SECOND MONDAY OF OCTOBER AS *INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY***

Agency: N/A

Choctaw Nation Department: Legal & Compliance

Budget: N/A

Match: N/A

Request by: Brian Danker, Senior Executive Officer of Legal & Compliance