

Proclamation

WHEREAS, during National Native American Heritage Month we celebrate the rich tapestry of Indigenous peoples and honor their sacrifices, which we recognize as inextricable woven into the history of this country; and

WHEREAS, during the month of November, we honor our native peoples in this, their ancestral homes, and recognize their continued contributions in strengthening the diversity of our society; and

WHEREAS, today, Arizona is home to 22 tribes, with resource-rich lands making up a third of the state and Arizona has the second largest population of American Indians in the United States.

WHEREAS, Native Americans have enriched our heritage and continue to add to all aspects of our society through their generosity of culture and the continued practice and teachings of economic, environmental, and cultural sustainability through Indigenous Ways of Knowledge; and

WHEREAS, our country is blessed by the character and strength exemplified by the Native Americans who have answered the call of service in our armed forces abroad and at home. We honor our Native American veterans and those who are serving in active duty for their bravery and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale is committed to engaging in dialogue, led by tribal communities, around the opportunities and work in which they are currently engaged in the areas of self-determination, sovereignty, and cultural preservation, in order to create an active government-to-government collaboration; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W.J. "Jim" Lane, Mayor of Scottsdale, do hereby proclaim and encourage all citizens to join in this observance.

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona



W.J. "Jim" Lane
Mayor of Scottsdale



Carolyn Jagger
City Clerk

