

CITY OF MELROSE

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Indigenous Peoples Day

WHEREAS: the City of Melrose recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples of the lands that

would later become known as the Americas are native to these lands; and

WHEREAS: the City of Melrose recognizes, values and celebrates the many contributions

made to our community, our Commonwealth and our country by Indigenous

Peoples now and throughout our history; and

WHEREAS: the City of Melrose, in an effort to promote truth, healing, reconciliation, redress

and justice, recognizes and acknowledges the ongoing trauma and historical harms, acts of genocide, and violations of human rights of Indigenous People

caused by Columbus and European colonization; and

WHEREAS: the City wishes to honor our local Massachusett Tribal heritage and our national

Indigenous roots, history and contributions;

WHEREAS: the Massachusetts State Legislature recently passed a bill providing for the

creation of a special commission to make recommendations for a new or revised state seal and motto, thereby reflecting growing momentum within both state and

local government to redress the harm to Indigenous peoples caused by the

promotion of false histories; and

WHEREAS: the District of Columbia, States of Alaska, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan,

Minnesota, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin, and municipalities including Salem MA, Somerville MA, Cambridge MA, Brookline MA, Marblehead MA, Newton MA, Northampton MA, Amherst MA, Los Angeles CA, San Francisco CA, Denver CO, Portland OR, Seattle WA, Columbus OH and many more observe Indigenous Peoples Day to promote Indigenous cultures and commemorate the history of Indigenous Peoples; and

WHEREAS: the City of Melrose is one community open to all; that celebrates and welcomes

everyone; that is dedicated to promoting equity and justice in our City; and that is

committed to policies and practices that seek to end systemic racism and

discrimination;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT:

1. The second Monday of October henceforth be commemorated in Melrose as Indigenous Peoples Day; and

2. The City of Melrose recognizes the position of Indigenous Peoples as native to these lands and that Melrose is indigenous land; and

- 3. The City of Melrose celebrates and honors the foundational contributions of indigenous peoples to the history of our city, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and our country; and
- 4. The City of Melrose encourages our public schools to observe Indigenous Peoples Day with appropriate instruction to celebrate the culture, diversity, and history of Indigenous Peoples.

Paul Brodeur

January 27, 2021

Date

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The Bridge: A School/Community Partnership

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Melrose Ped/Bike Committee

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Valerie Russo

Eric Rutan

Janet Rutan

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Jennifer Salazar

Shaina Salomon

Luis G Santos-Rosa

Ed and Beth Schmitt

Sara Serisky

Katie Shannon

Josh Shortlidge

Lisa Silveria

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Richard Svoboda

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