

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas as a commemoration of 500 years of survival and renewal of Indigenous Nations in the face of genocide and colonization; and

**WHEREAS**, a growing number of cities and towns in the United States have recognized the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day as an opportunity to celebrate Indigenous heritage and resiliency; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dubuque recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples of this hemisphere have lived on these lands since time immemorial, and that Dubuque itself was built upon the homelands of the Meskwaki, Ho Chunk, Potawatami, and other Indigenous Peoples of this region, and acknowledges and honors these members of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Dubuque recognizes the historic, cultural, and contemporary significance of the Indigenous Peoples of the lands that also became known as the Americas; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dubuque desires to support the struggles of Indigenous Nations for social and environmental justice, religious freedom, tribal sovereignty, and equity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dubuque seeks to bring greater understanding to the people of Dubuque regarding Indigenous cultures and the enormous contributions they have made and continue to make to our Nation; and

**NOW THEREFORE, I, ROY D. BUOL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, STAFF AND THE CITIZENS OF DUBUQUE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE 11TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2021 AS:**

## **“INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ DAY”**

**IN THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA.**

**IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Dubuque to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021.**

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**Roy D. Buol, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Adrienne N. Breitfelder, City Clerk**

2021: Submitted by Brenna Cussen Anglada, [brennacussen@gmail.com](mailto:brennacussen@gmail.com), and accepted by Mr. Jody Durnin (Meskwaki) of the Dubuque for Indigenous People's Day Committee.

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