

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, The city of Raleigh, North Carolina is committed to creating an inclusive community that celebrates diversity and ensures all residents have equitable opportunities to lead healthy, peaceful, safe and sustainable lives; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to members of The United Tribes of North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Native American Heritage Month celebrates and honors Native American peoples and commemorates their histories and cultures; and,

WHEREAS, The Haliwa-Saponi Tribe, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Coharie, Sappony, Waccamaw-Siouan, the Meherrin, and the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation reside in this state and are represented in the city; and,

**WHEREAS**, the city of Raleigh is honored to bring awareness to the Native inhabitants that lived on this land before the colonization of Raleigh; and,

**WHEREAS**, Native American Heritage Month is a time to celebrate the rich and diverse cultures of indigenous people, to raise awareness about our shared history, and acknowledge the important contributions that Native Americans have made to our community and our nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, do I Mary-Ann Baldwin, Mayor of the City of Raleigh, North Carolina, hereby proclaim the month of November, 2021 in the City of Raleigh as

## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Raleigh, North Carolina, to be affixed this 30th day of October 2021.

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Mary-Ann Baldwin Mayor