



The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe Of Michigan

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RESOLUTION 14-152

- WHEREAS:** The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under a Constitution and Bylaws ratified by the Tribe on November 4, 1986 pursuant to Pub. L. 99-346; and
- WHEREAS:** The governing body of the Tribe is the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council ("Tribal Council"); and
- WHEREAS:** Tribal Council has authority, provided under Article VI, Section 1(j) and (r) of the Tribal Constitution, to protect the health, security and the general welfare of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe and to regulate the domestic relations of members of the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, in 1964 the Mount Pleasant Area and Chippewa Indian Centennial Association organized a week long celebration recognizing the founding of the Mount Pleasant community and the Saginaw Chippewa Isabella Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, in 2010 the State of Michigan, the County of Isabella and the City of Mount Pleasant recognized the official boundaries of the Isabella Indian Reservation a historic set of agreements; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, these historic agreements amicably settled long-standing Indian Country jurisdictional issues and are now considered model agreements for the rest of the Country; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council desires to continue its strong and productive relationship with the City of Mount Pleasant based on mutual respect and trust; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, the idea of Indigenous Peoples Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native nations to the United Nations-sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, in 1990 representatives from 120 Indigenous Nations at the First Continental Conference on 500 Years of Indian Resistance unanimously passed a resolution to transform Columbus Day into an opportunity to educate the rest of the Country about pre-existing Indian cultures that have survived an often violent colonization process and continue to exist and thrive in present day America; and
- WHEREAS:** Whereas, the United States federal government, the State of Michigan, and the

City of Mount Pleasant recognize Columbus Day as the second Monday of October, in accordance with the federal holiday established in 1937; and

WHEREAS: Whereas, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan wishes to recognize and honor the 150th anniversary of the 1864 treaty establishing the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan's Isabella Indian Reservation, and urges the City of Mount Pleasant to join the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in so recognizing this important anniversary.

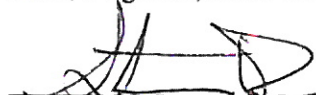
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council officially recognizes Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday in October, and urges the City of Mount Pleasant to officially recognize Indigenous Peoples Day as well.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Indigenous Peoples Day shall be used to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of Indigenous people on this land, and to celebrate the thriving culture and value that the Saginaw Chippewa and other Indigenous peoples add to our city and community.

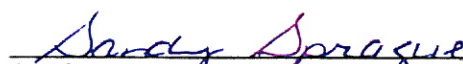
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council encourages other businesses, organizations and public entities to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day, and urges the City of Mount Pleasant to promote and support celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day among the broader community.

CERTIFICATION

The forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council with a quorum being present during a Special Meeting on the 10th day of September, 2014, by a vote of 8 for, 0 against, and 0 abstaining.



Steven Pego, Tribal Chief



Sandy Sprague, Tribal Secretary