

**A Resolution Calling Upon the University to Recognize the Second Monday of October as
as Indigenous Peoples' Day**

Farhan Quadri (for himself, Alex Leeder, Keasen Hao, Shukri Ahmed, Rebecca Slavik, and Halima Mohamed) introduced the following legislation to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

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Whereas the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University, and

Whereas Indigenous People inhabited North American lands and the Americas were not discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1492, and

Whereas the long occupation of the Americas by Indigenous People before Christopher Columbus landed in the Americas should be recognized in order to pay respect the culture, traditions, and ancestors of Indigenous People, and

Whereas the states of South Dakota, Vermont, Alaska, Minnesota, Hawaii, and Oregon recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day,^{1,2} and

Whereas the cities of Los Angeles, California; Seattle, Washington; Denver, Colorado; Oberlin, Ohio; East Lansing, Michigan; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Portland, Oregon; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Nashville, Tennessee; Minneapolis, Minnesota are just a few cities that have either adopted or recognized Indigenous Peoples' Day,^{1,2} and

Whereas recognizing and celebrating the heritage of Indigenous Peoples is necessary to respect their long history in the Americas, and

Whereas The Ohio State University currently observes Columbus Day,³ and

Whereas USG values the contributions that Indigenous Peoples have made to the University through academics and cultural contributions, and

Whereas the Council of Graduate Students has passed a similar resolution,⁴ and

Whereas the second Monday of October is officially designated as Indigenous Peoples' Day, and

¹ <http://www.businessinsider.com/columbus-day-indigenous-peoples-day-cities-christopher-columbus-2017-10>.

² <http://time.com/4968067/indigenous-peoples-day-columbus-day-cities/>.

³ <http://registrar.osu.edu/staff/bigcal.asp>.

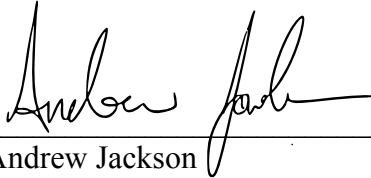
⁴ <https://cgs.osu.edu/leadership/2017-2018-minutes-legislation/>.

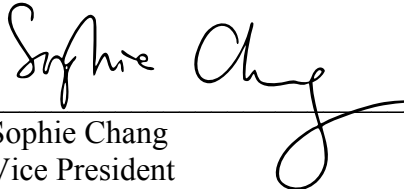
1 **Therefore Let It Be Resolved** that Indigenous Peoples' Day shall be dedicated to the
2 remembrance of Indigenous Peoples who have contributed greatly to the Tribes and United
3 States of America, and
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5 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that USG calls upon the university community to engage in
6 educational activities around the history and contributions of Indigenous Peoples on Indigenous
7 Peoples' Day, and
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9 **Let it Further Be Resolved** the Undergraduate Student Government at the Ohio State
10 University calls on the administration and Board of Trustees to recognize the second Monday of
11 October as Indigenous Peoples' Day.
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Vice President

42 Date Adopted: October 25, 2017

Date Terminated: _____

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