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RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Payne	X			
Osman				X
Chughtai	X			
Wonsley	X			
Rainville	X			
Vetaw	X			
Warren	X			
Shaffer	X			
Stevenson	X			
Chavez	X			
Whiting	X			
Chowdhury	X			
Palmisano	X			

MAYOR ACTION

APPROVED

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 MAYOR

MAY 26 2026

DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council

ATTEST:



 CITY CLERK

Presented to Mayor: MAY 22 2026

Received from Mayor: MAY 26 2026

Recognizing the Month of May as American Indian Month and celebrating the heritages, cultures, and contributions of Indigenous Peoples.

Whereas, each year, during the month of May, Minnesota honors and celebrates American Indian Month; and

Whereas, the celebrations kickoff with a community Powwow at the American Indian Center, a parade, and a float contest; and

Whereas, American Indians are the original peoples of this land, here long before the United States existed; and

Whereas, the United States Census Bureau estimates that, as of the 2020 census, nearly 9,700,000 Americans identified as American Indian or Alaska Native, alone or in combination; and

Whereas, Minneapolis is home to one of the densest urban American Indian communities in the United States; and

Whereas, Little Earth is home to nearly 1,000 residents, 50% of whom are under the age of 21. The community has 38 different Tribal Affiliations and is a model of self-determination for all Native peoples, prioritizing eliminating systemic barriers through wrap-around support services designed to move communities forward as well as address existing conditions; and

Whereas, American Indians have vibrant cultures and traditions and hold a deeply rooted sense of community; and

Whereas, American Indian history includes stories of tragedy, triumph, and perseverance that need to be shared with future generations; and

Whereas, American Indians have made important contributions to the United States and the rest of the world in many fields, including agriculture, medicine, music, language, and art; and

Whereas, The City is committed to informing and engaging the community on important issues, programs and resources through cultural media and hosts the Minneapolis American Indian Relations (Minneapolis A.I.R.) radio show on Native Roots Radio; and

Whereas, The City values American Indian employees in the enterprise by supporting the employee resource group Minneapolis American Indian Network (MAIN); and

Whereas, Minneapolis is the birthplace of the civil rights group the American Indian Movement; and

Whereas, Minneapolis is unique among big cities in America in having a formal relationship through the American Indian Memorandum of Understanding with our urban Indian community to promote the growth and well-being of the community; and

Whereas, the fundamental principle of our engagement with our American Indian community is respect for native sovereignty;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the Mayor and City Council do hereby celebrate American Indian Month and the many tribal nations and strong cultures that make up the Minneapolis Urban American Indian Community, seek to protect and uplift the voices, visions, and strength that exists within our communities, and encourage Minneapolis residents and visitors to participate in events being held in recognition of American Indian Month.