

City of Albany

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
October 10, 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Albany recognizes that the indigenous people of the lands that would later become known as the Americas have occupied these lands since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, Albany is built on the Costanoan (Ohlone) homeland and villages; and

WHEREAS, 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 to replace Columbus Day; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the indigenous roots we have in Albany and in California, and the cultural and familial ties that connect us; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day shall reflect the ongoing struggles of indigenous people of this land and shall celebrate the thriving culture, art, and contributions that indigenous people add to our nation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany offers gratitude to Native People on behalf of all people, in recognition of the Indigenous care for our land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany, in unity with the Confederated Villages of the Lisjan, proudly flies their flag over City Hall; and

WHEREAS, a land acknowledgement is read before every City Council and advisory body meeting honoring the contributions of the Indigenous People who originally lived here, recognizing the genocide they suffered, and committing to sustaining our ongoing relationship with the Ohlone Tribe.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Albany City Council hereby recognizes October 10, 2022 as "**Indigenous Peoples' Day**" and strongly encourages local businesses, organizations, and public institutions to recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day as well.

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PRESTON JORDAN, MAYOR