

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress on August 1, 1990, designating the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month; and
- WHEREAS:** From time immemorial, Oregon lands have been home to many Native peoples including members of Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes: Burns Paiute Tribe; Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians; Coquille Indian Tribe; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians; Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde; Klamath Tribes; Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians; Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; and
- WHEREAS:** The American Indians of Oregon have made tremendous contributions to culture, history and environment of the State of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** As Oregon's American Indians have shared our state, so has the history and culture of our great nation been shared by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and
- WHEREAS:** The contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity and greatness of American today; and
- WHEREAS:** American Indians' varied customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **November 2016** to be
NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH
in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, November 1, 2016.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Brown", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kate Brown, Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne P. Atkins", written in a cursive style.

Jeanne P. Atkins, Secretary of State