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INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY RESOLUTION

Whereas; the United Confederation of Taíno People (UCTP), states our position in support of the decision of the City of Los Angeles to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day in place of Columbus Day to honor the resilience of Indigenous Peoples in Los Angeles, the State of California, the United States of America and the world.

Whereas; the legacy of 'Columbus Day' has created a national narrative that has erased the existence and global contributions of the Indigenous Peoples of North and South America and the Caribbean.

Whereas; the City of Los Angeles, whose original name is *Yangna*, is the traditional territory of the Gabrieleño-Tongva Nation, who continue to have a strong presence through their cultural resilience.

Whereas; the United Confederation of Taíno People (UCTP) urges a call to action to recognize the sovereignty of all Indigenous Peoples, in order to empower and uplift our communities that have been mistreated and written out of history.

Whereas; Indigenous Peoples have demonstrated immense strength throughout the world not just because our survival through colonization and efforts to erase us, but through a resurgence of our cultures, identities and leadership.

Whereas; Indigenous Peoples will continue to thrive, grow and give great contributions to the City of Los Angeles, the State of California, the United States of America and the world.

Whereas; Indigenous Peoples Day is a major step in changing the course of history and moving towards allowing healing and justice to take place.

In conclusion, the United Confederation of Taíno People (UCTP) is in full support of Indigenous Peoples Day.

Respectfully,

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