City of Rochester



WHEREAS, Rochester recognizes the historic, cultural, and contemporary

contributions and significance of Indigenous People, Native

Americans; and

WHEREAS, Rochester acknowledges that Indigenous People experienced

displacement, enslavement, family separation, and great loss of life at

the hands of governing bodies; and

WHEREAS, Rochester names and acknowledges the Indigenous Peoples of this

land: the Dakota Sioux People, the Ojibway People, and the

Winnebago People. We commit to honoring the land and the people who have, and continue to, care for it through generations; and

WHEREAS, Rochester will continue to promote racial equity, oppose

discrimination of any people, and continue in building an equitable

community; and

WHEREAS, in proclaiming October 10th as Indigenous Peoples' Day, it is a

reminder to remember Indigenous Peoples past and acknowledge and

honor those present.

NOW, I, Kim Norton, Mayor of the City of Rochester, do hereby proclaim

THEREFORE: every year on the second Monday of October as

Indigenous Peoples' Day

in Rochester and encourage all community members to honor and celebrate the contributions of the Native Americans and Indigenous People.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the corporate seal of the City of Rochester to be affixed this 10th day of October, 2022.

Kim Norton, Mayor City of Rochester, Minnesota