



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 10/4/18
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:40 a.m.
Date Submitted: 9/25/18

Agenda Title: Proclaiming October 8th, 2018 as Indigenous People's Day in Multnomah County, Oregon

Requested Date: 10/4/18

Time Needed: 20 min

Department/Division: Non-D, co-sponsored by Chair Kafoury and Commissioner Stegmann

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Presenters: Anna Marie Allen, Policy & Engagement Advisor, Chair Kafoury's Office; Paul Lumley, Executive Director of NAYA and member of the Portland Indian Leaders Roundtable (PILR) and Jillene Joseph, Executive Director of the Native Wellness Institute and a partner on the County funded Future Generations Collaborative.

General Information:

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adopting a proclamation honoring October 8, 2018 as Indigenous People's Day in Multnomah County, Oregon

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The second Monday in October is often referred to as Columbus Day. The American Indian and Indigenous communities feel this is a celebration of a time of genocide and forced assimilation. The community would like our local government to show support and choose to celebrate the second Monday in October as Indigenous People's Day. The Indigenous community feels this is a step in a positive direction, as their relationship with government has

been strained in the past due to historical trauma. The original proclamation declaring this change was approved in 2015.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

Indigenous People's Day will be replacing what's currently known as Columbus Day. Columbus Day is a federally recognized holiday, but is not recognized by the State of Oregon. There are no legal and/or policy issues.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Community members and local jurisdictional partners will be present in support of the proclamation.

Required Signature:

**Elected Official/
Department Director:**

/s/ Lori Stegmann

Date:

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