



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 10/8/15
Agenda Item #: R.7
Est. Start Time: 10:20 am
Date Submitted: 9/30/15

Agenda Title: **PROCLAMATION Proclaiming October 12, 2015 as Indigenous People's Day in Multnomah County, Oregon**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: 10/8/2015 Time Needed: 20 minutes

Department: Non-departmental Division: Chair's office

Contact(s): Anna Marie Allen

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): Donita Fry, Portland Youth & Elders Council, Young Woodley, Jill Erickson

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adopting a proclamation honoring October 12, 2015 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 this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The second Monday in October is currently known 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 moving forward. 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.

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.

A number of community members will be present in support of the proclamation. The City of Portland will also have some communication/support around recognizing the second Monday in October as Indigenous People's Day. This will be separate from what the County is doing.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Nancy Bennett /s/

Date:

9/30/2015

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