

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2019

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL
DECLARING NOVEMBER 2019 AS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County rests on the ceded lands of the Northwestern Shoshone, Paiute, Goshute, and Ute who have called the Salt Lake Valley and the Wasatch range home and have been stewards of the land since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the 16,136 Native American population residing within Salt Lake County is a unique and diverse population, representing many tribal nations; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have contributed to the prosperity of Salt Lake County through treaties, resources, lands, culture, traditions, and commerce; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County honors and celebrates the importance of Native Americans and their immeasurable contributions to our County and our society, distinguishing themselves as scholars, veterans, teachers, athletes, artists, entrepreneurs and leaders; and

WHEREAS, Native American communities face stark realities, including murdered and missing Indigenous women, girls, and LGBTQI2S, disproportionately high rates of poverty, unemployment, disease, sexual violence, and other crimes. These disparities are unacceptable, and Salt Lake County acknowledges it must do better in working with Native Americans to address and resolve these abhorrent conditions; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County government celebrates Native American Heritage Month each November; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County strives to improve communications with, services to, and partnership with all County residents, and, in particular, Native Americans as we journey together on a quest for justice, equality, respect, and prosperity.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Salt Lake County Council that:

- 1) November 2019 shall be proclaimed as: NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH;
- 2) Salt Lake County and the people of Salt Lake County shall observe Native American Heritage Month with programs, appropriate ceremonies, and activities to celebrate and honor Native American culture, contributions, and achievements.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: _____
Richard Snelgrove, Chair

ATTEST:

Sherrie Swensen
Salt Lake County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Gavin Anderson 13 Nov 2019
Deputy District Attorney Date

Council Member Bradley voting	_____
Council Member Bradshaw voting	_____
Council Member Burdick voting	_____
Council Member DeBry voting	_____
Council Member Granato voting	_____
Council Member Ghorbani voting	_____
Council Member Jensen voting	_____
Council Member Snelgrove voting	_____
Council Member Winder Newton voting	_____