

## Resolution #2019-11

To Declare the Annual Recognition of 'Indigenous Peoples' Day

WHEREAS the City of Albion recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples of the lands that would later become known as the America have occupied these lands since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS the City recognizes that Albion is built upon the homelands and villages of the Chippewa (Ojibwa), Ottawa, and other Tribes of this region, without whom the building of the region would not have been possible; and

WHEREAS the City values the many contributions made to our community through Indigenous Peoples' knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that has helped shape the character of the City of Albion; and

WHEREAS the City of Albion has a responsibility to oppose the systematic racism towards Indigenous people in the United States, which perpetuates high rates of poverty and income inequality, exacerbating disproportionate health, education, and social crises; and

WHEREAS the City promotes the closing of equity gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and practices that reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, ensure greater access and opportunity, and honor our nation's indigenous roots, history, and contributions; and

WHEREAS Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

Council Member Williamson moved, supported by Council Member Reid, to approve the following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, the City of Albion hereby declares every second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Albion;

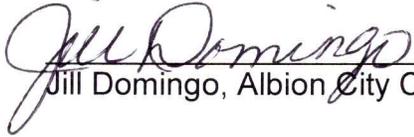
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the City of Albion supports the proposition that Indigenous Peoples' Day shall be an opportunity to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the Indigenous Peoples of our region;

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on April 1, 2019, in a regular session of the Albion City Council, and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 5

Nays 1 (Atchison)

Absent 1 (Broun)

  
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Jill Domingo, Albion City Clerk