

CONSENT CALENDAR  
September 11, 2007

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmembers Dona Spring, Kriss Worthington, Darryl Moore and Max Anderson

Subject: Proclamation for Indigenous Peoples Day 2007

RECOMMENDATION: that the Council approve the attached proclamation in honor of Indigenous Peoples Day Saturday, October 6, 2007.

BACKGROUND: The City of Berkeley has been the proud sponsor of Indigenous Peoples Day for the last 15 years.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:  
None

CONTACT PERSON:  
Councilmember Dona Spring 981-7140,

## INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY PROCLAMATION 2007

**Whereas:**

the year 2007 marks the sixteenth annual celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Berkeley, begun in commemoration of five hundred years of survival and renewal of Native cultures in the face of political and cultural repression; and

**Whereas:**

the Indigenous Peoples Day Committee, a community group of local Native people and others, have once again organized the annual celebration with an Indigenous Peoples Day Pow Wow and Indian Market in Martin Luther King Civic Center Park on Saturday, October 6th; and

**Whereas:**

the Indigenous culture flourishing in the Berkeley area since time immemorial was a sustainable peaceful culture based on cooperation among neighbors, on respect for the land and for all creatures living on it; and this Indigenous culture was disrupted and destroyed in Berkeley as in almost all parts of this hemisphere, and yet it has survived; and

**Whereas:**

the Indigenous Peoples Day Pow Wow and Indian Market has brought greater understanding to the people of Berkeley regarding Native cultures and the enormous contributions they have made, and continue to make, to world culture;

**Now, Therefore Be It Resolved:**

that the Berkeley City Council does hereby affirm and proclaim that Saturday, October 6, 2007 will be Indigenous Peoples Day this year; does hereby officially sponsor it, and does hereby offer our gratitude to Native People on behalf of the people of Berkeley, in recognition of your care for this land, and in honor of your culture and philosophy, which are needed now more than ever if the planet is to survive; and we urge all Berkeleyans to attend the Berkeley Indigenous Peoples Day Pow Wow and Indian Market, 10 am to 6 pm in Martin Luther King Civic Center Park.

Councilmember Dona Spring

Councilmember Darryl Moore

Councilmember Kriss Worthington

Councilmember Max Anderson

Councilmember Linda Maio

Councilmember Laurie Capitelli

Councilmember Gordon Wozniak

Councilmember Betty Olds

Mayor Tom Bates