

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 11, 2023

PRESENTER: John Jansons, City Manager

SUBJECT: Requested Proclamations for November 2023 (JJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider requested proclamations and approve issuance on November 8, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Mayor Maria Pacheco has requested that the City Council consider proclaiming the month of November 2023, as "Native America Heritage Month" and to recognize a "Land Acknowledgment of the California Santa Maria Rancheria Yokuts Nation".

Both of the proposed proclamations are new suggestions and have not been previously considered or requested for City Council recognition.

Historically, the City Council has annually recognized National Public Works Week, National Police Week, Hispanic Heritage Month, Breast Cancer Awareness and other tributes.

In the past, non-reoccurring proclamations have been enacted such as recognizing the Armenian Genocide and those honoring Sikh culture and critical events.

Alternatively, if desired by City Council, the Mayor at any given time, at the Mayor's individual discretion, may issue a "Mayor's Proclamation" versus a City Council Proclamation

Attachment 'A' is the draft "Native American Heritage Month" proclamation and Attachment 'B' is the draft "Land Acknowledgment of the California Santa Maria Rancheria Yokuts Nation" declaration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Draft Native American Heritage Month Proclamation
- B. Draft Land Acknowledgment of the California Santa Maria Rancheria Yokuts Nation Declaration