

## Native American Heritage Month

**WHEREAS,** The First Nation's People of the United States, known as Native Americans, have rich and diverse cultural, historical, and spiritual contributions to our nation, and;

**WHEREAS,** the month of November has been designated as a time to recognize and celebrate the enduring legacy of Native Americans and their invaluable impact on our country's heritage and identity, and;

**WHEREAS,** Native American Heritage Month provides an opportunity for all Americans to honor the unique traditions, customs, languages, and arts of Native American communities, and:

**WHEREAS,** acknowledging the challenges and injustices faced by Native Americans throughout history is essential to fostering understanding and healing, and;

**WHEREAS**, promoting awareness of the deep-rooted wisdom and resilience of Native American cultures is vital for building a more inclusive and united society, and;

**WHEREAS,** Native American Heritage Month serves as an occasion for educational institutions, organizations, and communities to promote cultural exchange, collaboration, and mutual respect, and;

**WHEREAS**, we must continue to strive towards preserving and protecting the sacred sites, natural resources, and ancestral lands of Native American communities, and;

**WHEREAS,** it is the duty of all Americans to support efforts that address the disparities faced by Native American populations in areas such as education, healthcare, and economic opportunities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City Council of the City of Kerman hereby proclaims the month of November 2023, as Native American Heritage Month and urges all citizens to take part in activities, programs, and events that honor the richness of Native American cultures and histories. Let us use this month to deepen our understanding, appreciation, and respect for the significant contributions of Native Americans to the fabric of our nation.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Kerman to be affixed on this  $8^{th}$  day of November 2023.

Maria Pacheco
Mayor