

Proclamation

DECLARING NOVEMBER AS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Whereas, Despite centuries-long and ongoing erasure of Indigenous people from American history and unjust Federal policies of assimilation and termination that ripped children from their families, Native American people have persevered; and

Whereas, The Indigenous people of this land, upon which our country and City now stand, have provided values and ideas that have become ingrained in American culture, including respect for the natural environment and rich cultural history; and

Whereas, The City of Salida is committed to promoting racial equity, equality, and justice as fundamental aspects of a safe and welcoming community and to undo the long-standing trauma and harm of unjust government policies of assimilation and termination that have cost countless lives and displaced and broken up families; and

Whereas, The City of Salida invites all members of the community to join the federal government in celebrating and acknowledging 2022 National Native American Heritage Month; and

Whereas, This observance offers increased opportunity to better understand Native American heritage, past and present contributions to our communities, and to honor the many Indigenous people who have sacrificed their lives and customs for the growth of our nation.

Now, therefore, the City of Salida does hereby proclaim November 2022 as NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH in the City of Salida.

Dan Shore, Mayor

Date