



NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

AMERICAN INDIANS COMMITTEE

Proclamation

National American Indian Heritage Month

WHEREAS, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today, and

WHEREAS, their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November, as National American Indian Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational, and historical activities have been planned;

WHEREAS, hundreds of Native American treaties have been scanned and are freely available online, for the first time, through the National Archives Catalog;

WHEREAS, the virtual opening in Washington DC of the National Native American Veterans Memorial recognizing the enduring and distinguished service of Native Americans in every branch of the US Military will occur on November 11, 2020;

NOW THEREFORE, I John Bearrows, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Rochelle, IL do hereby proclaim November as the National American Indian Heritage Month, in Rochelle IL and urge all our citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rochelle to be affixed this 9th day of November, the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty.

John Bearrows, Mayor

Attest: _____
Susan L Messer, City Clerk

