

City of Santa Clara
Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Native Americans have inhabited the Bay Area region for many millennia, and have contributed significantly to the growth, prosperity, and identity of our country, from before its inception to the present day; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2020 United States Census reports that 9.7 million people throughout the United States identify as American Indian and Alaskan Native and, according to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, there are currently 574 federally recognized American Indian and Alaskan Native tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Native American Heritage Month is a time to celebrate the traditions, languages and stories of Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and affiliated Island communities and ensure their rich histories and contributions continue to thrive with each passing generation; and
- WHEREAS,** during Native American Heritage Month, the City of Santa Clara celebrates the incredible resilience of Native American communities, their unique cultures, languages, and traditions, and their continued contributions to our community; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Santa Clara recognizes organizations, such as The Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley in their dedication to ensure the survival and healing of the Native community by providing consistent and high-quality health care along with cultural services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2024 as

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Santa Clara and call upon the Santa Clara's residents to recognize the rich history, cultures, traditions, and contributions made by Native Americans in our community throughout the year.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 19th day of November 2024.

Lisa M. Gillmor

LISA M. GILLMOR
MAYOR, CITY OF SANTA CLARA

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VICE MAYOR, DISTRICT 6

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