

# Coconino County Proclamation

## Designating November 2022 as Native American Heritage Month

*Whereas, every year, our country pauses to celebrate Native American Heritage Month and reflect upon the profound ways the First Peoples, also referred to as Indigenous Peoples, have shaped our country's character and culture; and,*

*Whereas, our country is blessed by the character and strength exemplified by the Indigenous Peoples who have answered the call of service in our armed forces, fighting bravely to protect our freedom. We honor our Indigenous Peoples veterans and those who are serving, for their bravery and sacrifice; and*

*Whereas, we celebrate the rich traditions of the First Peoples of what is now the United States, we cannot forget all they had to endure; and,*

*Whereas, the month of November is an important time for our country to recognize a year-round commitment of honoring and strengthening the relationships between tribal nations and local governments; and,*

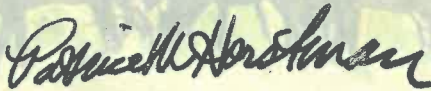
*Whereas, Coconino County is dedicated to preserving and promoting Indigenous Peoples culture in the community, education, and workforce, stressing the importance of culture, identity, language, history, and vibrancy of traditions passed down throughout generations; and,*

*Whereas, the name "Coconino" is derived from "Cohonino," the Hopi word for Havasupai and Yavapai, such that our county's name represents more than one group of people; and,*

*Now, therefore, be it resolved that in the spirit of celebrating and honoring the essential contributions of Indigenous Peoples to our county, our nation, and our communities, we do hereby recognize November 2022 as Native American Heritage Month and encourage all residents to join us in expanding knowledge of the history and contributions of the Indigenous Peoples of this great land; reflecting on and embracing the diversity that strengthens us.*

*Signed and sealed this 1st day of November.*

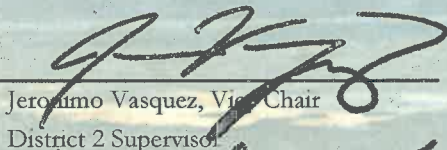
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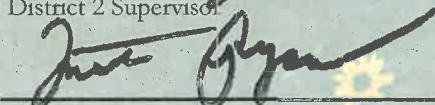
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