

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE
NOVEMBER 2025 AS “NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH” IN THE CITY OF
POMONA**

WHEREAS, Native American Heritage Month began as Native American Awareness Week in 1976 and was expanded in 1990, establishing November as Native American Indian Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles County is home to the largest concentration of First Peoples in the country, including the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash, whose ancestral lands we inhabit. The County also has a vibrant American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) population representing more than 200 tribes; and

WHEREAS, there are 574 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes and villages, as well as tribes that have not yet received federal recognition, each possessing unique cultures, traditions, and languages, and distinct histories; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2020 U.S. census, 3.7 million people identify as Native American while nearly 9.7 million identified as Native American in combination with another group, together representing about 3% of the total U.S. population and this number continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pomona is committed to honoring the heritage of Native American peoples, recognizing their contributions, and fostering dialogue that will help preserve their traditions for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pomona invites all residents to learn more about the histories and cultures of Native American peoples, and participate in activities that honor the cultures, histories, and contributions of Native American communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the month of November 2025 is hereby designated as “Native American Heritage Month” in the City of Pomona.

“NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH”

Dated this 17th day of November 2025