

declaring November

"Native American Heritage Month"

WHEREAS, every year on November 1, Native American Heritage Month is celebrated to honor the remarkable Native Americans who have contributed to the character of the nation; and

WHEREAS, this month is also referred to as the American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, November is the time to rejoice in diverse and rich cultures, histories, and traditions and to appreciate the great contributions of Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans are not a single nation but included a variety of cultures, nations, and languages; and

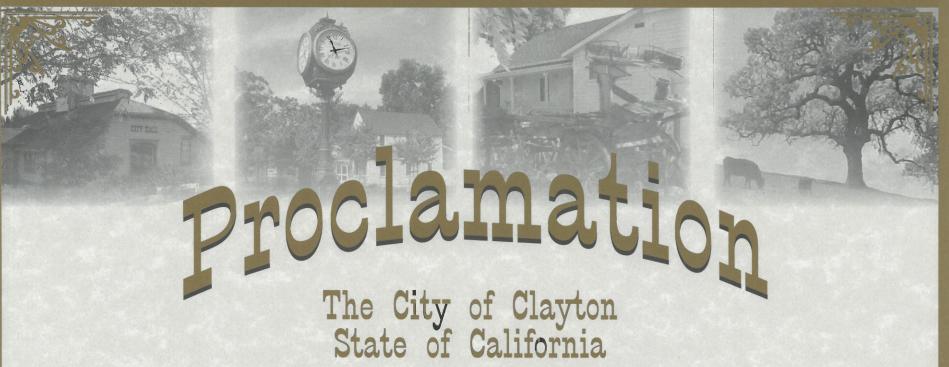
WHEREAS, there are many contributions made by the Native Americans such as the discovery of edible plants, which are widely eaten by people around the world; and

WHEREAS, they were the first people to raise turkeys, guinea pigs, and honeybees.

Now, Therefore, I, Carl Wolfe, Mayor, and on behalf of the entire Clayton City Council, proclaim November, as "Native American Heritage Month" in Clayton, CA and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



11-6-2 Date



declaring November 16

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"Dutch-American Heritage Day"

WHEREAS, as of 1990, November 16 has been declared as "Dutch-American Heritage Day"; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 1776, a small American warship, the Andrew Doria sailed into the harbor of the Dutch island of Saint Eustatius in the West Indies, only four months after the United States had declared its independence from Great Britain; and

WHEREAS, the American crew was delighted when the governor of the island ordered that his fort's cannons be fired in a friendly salute representing the first time a foreign power had offered a salute to the flag of the United States, and

WHEREAS, angered by Dutch trading of contraband with the rebellious colonies, the British seized the island a few years later; and

WHEREAS, the Dutch recaptured the island in 1784, and

WHEREAS, De Graaf's welcoming salute was also a sign of respect, and today it continues to symbolize the deep ties of friendship that exist between the United States and The Netherlands.

Now, Therefore, I, Carl Wolfe, Mayor, and on behalf of the entire Clayton City Council, proclaim November 16, as "Dutch-American Heritage Day" in Clayton, CA and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



11-20 Date