



# Proclamation

**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, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational and historical activities have been planned,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 2018 as

## NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

in Ocala and I urge all 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 Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 2018.

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Kent Guinn, Mayor  
City of Ocala

