STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress in August 1, 1990, designating the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS: From time immemorial, Oregon Lands have been home to many Native peoples including members of Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes: Burns Paiute Tribe; Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians; Coquille Indian Tribe; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians; Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community; Klamath Tribes; Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians; Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; and

WHEREAS: The American Indians of Oregon have made tremendous contributions to culture, history, and environment of the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS: As Oregon's American Indians have shared our state, so has the history and culture of our great nation been shared 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: American Indians' varied customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **November 2018** to be

NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, October 16, 2018.

Kate Brown

Kate Brown, Governor

Dennis Richardson

Dennis Richardson, Secretary of State