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MEMORANDUM

TO: Naomi Kelly, City Administrator, Office of the City Administrator

FROM: *el*
for Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director
Rules Committee

DATE: November 3, 2017

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Cohen on October 24, 2017:

File No. 171138

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to declare the second Monday in October to be Indigenous Peoples Day.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: alisa.somera@sfgov.org.

c: Lynn Khaw, Office of the City Administrator
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1 [Administrative Code - Indigenous Peoples Day]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to declare the second Monday in October**
4 **to be Indigenous Peoples Day.**

5 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
6 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
7 **Deletions to Codes** are in ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*~~.
8 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
9 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
10 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
11 subsections or parts of tables.

12 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

13 Section 1. Section 16.4 of the Administrative Code, entitled "Hours of City Offices," is
14 hereby renumbered as Section 16.3 of the Administrative Code. No changes are made to the
15 wording or substance of that Section.

16 Section 2. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding new Section 16.4,
17 to read as follows:

18 **SEC. 16.4. INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY.**

19 **(a) Findings.**

20 (1) San Francisco has a responsibility to oppose the systematic racism towards
21 indigenous peoples in the United States, which perpetuates high rates of poverty and income inequality,
22 exacerbating health, education, and social crises among Native Americans.

23 (2) San Francisco recognizes the historic discrimination and violence inflicted upon
24 indigenous peoples in the United States, including their forced removal from ancestral lands, and the
25 deliberate and systematic destruction of their communities and culture.

1 (3) In the late 1970's, a movement began to replace the Columbus Day holiday with a
2 celebration known as Indigenous Peoples Day to recognize and commemorate the contribution of
3 indigenous peoples to the United States and to condemn the atrocities that were committed against
4 them. Many cities and states have since chosen to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day on the same date
5 as, and in lieu of, Columbus Day.

6 (4) In 2011, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, representing 59 Tribes from
7 Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Northern California, Western Montana, and Alaska, passed Resolution
8 #11-57 expressing "Support to Change Columbus Day (2nd Monday of October) to Indigenous
9 Peoples' Day."

10 (b) The second Monday in October each year shall be known as Indigenous Peoples Day. All
11 official City communications, notices, calendars, and other publications, whether electronic or paper,
12 of the City shall refer to that day as Indigenous Peoples Day rather than Columbus Day.

13 (c) Within 30 days of the effective date of the ordinance enacting this Section 16.4, the City
14 Administrator shall notify all City boards, commissions, committees, and other bodies, and all City
15 departments, of the requirements of this Section.

16 (d) This Section 16.4 does not affect the recognition or non-recognition of the second Monday
17 in October as a holiday for City departments and employees.

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1 Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
2 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
3 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
4 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Indigenous Peoples Day]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to declare the second Monday in October to be Indigenous Peoples Day.

Existing Law

The City currently refers to the second Monday in October as Columbus Day

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would amend the Administrative Code to recognize the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day rather than Columbus Day. The ordinance would require all official City communications to refer to that day as Indigenous Peoples Day. The proposed ordinance does not affect the recognition or non-recognition of the second Monday in October as a holiday for City departments and employees.

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