



PROCLAMATION
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI
PROCLAIMING THAT THE SECOND MONDAY OF OCTOBER IS INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES DAY AND THAT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2024 SHALL BE NATIVE
AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, a federally recognized Tribe, is comprised of Southern Pomo and Coast Miwok people, and the lands now occupied by the City of Cotati are the ancestral lands of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria; and

WHEREAS, the Cotati community acknowledges the Southern Pomo and Coast Miwok tribal histories, culture, contemporary issues, and the contributions of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria to Sonoma County are vital to the understanding of our origins and rich heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria maintain a harmonious relationship with the ecology of this area, including knowledgeable and respectful harvesting of animals and plants; and

WHEREAS, the traditional cultural and ecological knowledge of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria holds important values for our community; and

WHEREAS, the Cotati community will benefit from more active and visible input of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED on this day of October 8, 2024, by the City Council of the City of Cotati that the second Monday of October (October 14th) is Indigenous Peoples Day in Cotati and that the month of November is Native American Heritage Month to honor the native Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, comprised of Southern Pomo and Coast Miwok people, and the City Council encourages business owners, educators, artists, and all our citizens to participate in making this an occasion for joy, learning, collaboration and prosperity.

Approved: _____
Mayor