

**A. INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY / NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**



**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 Pomo and Coast Miwok are the original people of the ancestral land now occupied by the City of Cotati; and

**WHEREAS**, the education and acknowledgement of the Cotati community about the Pomo and Coastal Miwok tribal histories, culture, contemporary issues, and the contributions of the Pomo and Coast Miwok people to Sonoma County is vital to the understanding of our origins and rich heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pomo and Coast Miwok people maintain a harmonious relationship with the ecology of this area, including knowledgeable and respectful harvesting of animals, plants, and mineral resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the traditional cultural and ecological knowledge of the Pomo and Coast Miwok people hold important values for our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cotati community will benefit from more active and visible input of the Pomo and Coast Miwok people.

**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 14<sup>th</sup>) is Indigenous Peoples Day in Cotati and that the month of November is Native American Heritage Month to honor the native Pomo and Coast Miwok Peoples and the City Council encourage business owners, educators, artists, and all our citizens to participate in making this an occasion for joy, learning, collaboration and prosperity.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor