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| Introduced: 8/4/14 | By:   |
| Referred:          | To: Full Council  |
| Referred: 9/2/14   | To: Public Safety, Civil Rights, & Technology Committee |
| Reported: 10/6/14  |   |
| Passed: 9-0        | Signed: 10.13.14  |
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*Bruce C. Hewell*

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*Nick [Signature]*

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Full Council  
Oct. 6, 2014 Adopted 9-0

*Law Department*



**CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**RESOLUTION 31538**

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WHEREAS, the City recognizes the fact that Seattle is built upon the homelands and villages of the Indigenous Peoples of this region, without whom the building of the City would not have been possible; and

WHEREAS, the City values the many contributions made to our community through Indigenous Peoples' knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that has substantially shaped the character of the City of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has a responsibility to oppose the systematic racism towards Indigenous people in the United States, which perpetuates high rates of poverty and income inequality, exacerbating disproportionate health, education, and social crises; and

WHEREAS, the City promotes the closing of the equity gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and practices that reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, ensure greater access and opportunity, and honor our nation's indigenous roots, history, and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations-sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, representing 59 Tribes from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Northern California, Western Montana and some Alaskan Tribes, passed resolution #11-57 to "Support to Change Columbus Day (2nd Monday of October) to Indigenous Peoples' Day"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle was declared to be a Human Rights City on December 10, 2012, committing itself to protect, respect and fulfill the full range of inherent human rights for all as set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and numerous other international human rights treaties; and



1 WHEREAS, in 2014 the Seattle Human Rights Commission passed Resolution #14-03,  
2 "Recognizing the Second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day", which called  
3 upon the City to officially celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day in order to promote  
tolerance, understanding and friendship, and to combat prejudice and eliminate  
discrimination stemming from colonization. NOW, THEREFORE,

4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE**  
5 **MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

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7 Section 1. The City of Seattle strongly supports the proposition that Indigenous  
8 Peoples' Day shall be an opportunity to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the  
9 Indigenous Peoples of our region.

10 Section 2. The City of Seattle affirms that it is City policy to participate in the annual  
11 Indigenous Peoples' Day celebrations and activities; that City departments work with the  
12 Seattle Office for Civil Rights (SOCR) and the Seattle Human Rights Commission to  
13 encourage participation on a city-wide basis.

14 Section 3. The City of Seattle strongly encourages Seattle Public Schools to include  
15 the teaching of indigenous people's history as recommended by Chapter 205, Session Laws of  
16 2005.

17 Section 4. The City of Seattle encourages other businesses, organizations, and public  
18 institutions to recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day.

19 Section 5. The City of Seattle firmly commits to continue its efforts to promote the  
20 well-being and growth of Seattle's American Indian and Indigenous community.

21 Section 6. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Seattle jointly declare the  
22 second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Seattle.



Adopted by the City Council the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, and  
signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of October, 2014.

JB  
President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

Edward B. Murray  
Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

Monica M. Simmons  
Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)

Form revised: February 26, 2014

**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

| <b>Department:</b> | <b>Contact Person/Phone:</b> | <b>Phone:</b> |
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| Mayor's Office     | Steve Lee                    | 684-7904      |
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**Legislation Title:**

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**Summary of the Legislation:**

This legislation designates the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Seattle.

**Background:**

The City recognizes that Seattle is built upon the homelands and villages of the Indigenous Peoples of the region and that their knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and cultural contributions have substantially shaped the character of the City of Seattle.

  X   This legislation does not have any financial implications.

**Other Implications:**

- a) Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?  
No.
- b) What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?  
None.
- c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?  
No.
- d) What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives? None.
- e) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?  
No.
- f) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No.

**g) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

No.

**h) Other Issues:**

**List attachments to the fiscal note below:**



**City of Seattle**  
**Edward B. Murray**  
**Mayor**

July 29, 2014

Honorable Tim Burgess, President  
Seattle City Council  
City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
600 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Council President Burgess:

I am pleased to transmit the attached proposed Joint Resolution that creates Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Seattle.

When Seattle was declared to be a Human Rights City on December 10, 2012, it committed itself to protect, respect, and fulfill the full range of inherent human rights set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and numerous other international human rights treaties. That is particularly resonant because Seattle is built upon the homelands and villages of the Indigenous Peoples of this region. The tremendous contributions made to our community through the Indigenous Peoples' knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts, and culture have substantially shaped the character of our city.

In the spirit of that commitment and celebration of that legacy I ask you and other members of the Seattle City Council to declare Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Seattle as the second Monday in October each year hereafter.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposed legislation. Should you have questions, please contact Steve Lee at (206) 684-7904.

Sincerely,

Edward B. Murray  
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Seattle City Council

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2 signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this \_\_\_\_ day  
3 of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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5 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

6 THE MAYOR CONCURRING:  
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10 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

11 Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.  
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14 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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No. 31543

CITY OF SEATTLE, CLERKS OFFICE

**Affidavit of Publication**

The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

The notice in the exact form annexed, was published in regular issues of The Daily Journal of Commerce, which was regularly distributed to its subscribers during the below stated period. The annexed notice, a

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was published on

11/04/14

The amount of the fee charged for the foregoing publication is the sum of \$59.80 which amount has been paid in full.



Affidavit of Publication

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on

11/04/2014

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Notary public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle

## State of Washington, King County

### City of Seattle

#### Title Only Resolutions

The full text of the following ~~legislation~~ resolution, passed by the City Council on October 6, 2014, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://clerk.seattle.gov>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City

Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>.

Contact: Office of the City Clerk at (206) 684-8344.

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 31543

A RESOLUTION concerning the Central Waterfront; commending the work of the Central Waterfront Committee; dissolving that Committee and superseding Resolution 31264; and establishing a new Central Waterfront Steering Committee to advise the City on implementing the Central Waterfront Concept Design and Strategic Plan to create a series of new parks and public spaces on the Central Waterfront, and on building the broader partnerships necessary for it to succeed.

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, November 4, 2014.

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