

Town of Wenham

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Select Board and Town Administrator

Whereas, the second Monday in October is recognized as a Federal Holiday; and

Whereas, Columbus Day recognizes the October 12, 1642 landing of Christopher Columbus on an island in the Caribbean, identifying the Europeans as having the first contact with the “New World”; and

Whereas, the communities we know today would not be what they are without the contributions made by the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas; and

Whereas, We all live on former Indigenous Land in Wenham, Massachusetts; and

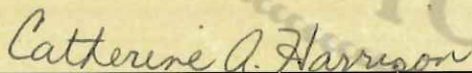
Whereas, We would like to acknowledge the Massachusetts Tribe. The tribe of indigenous peoples from whom the Colony, Province, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts have taken their name; and

Whereas, We would like to pay our respect to the ancestral bloodline of the Massachusetts Tribe and their descendants who still inhabit historical Massachusetts Tribe territories to this day; and,

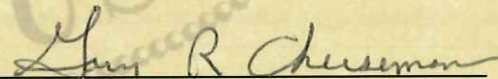
Whereas, we are nurturing a unified community that will respect and welcome the values and cultures of all our neighbors; and

Now, Therefore, the Select Board of Wenham Massachusetts, in conjunction with others throughout the United States of America, do hereby acknowledge October 12, 2021 as “Indigenous Peoples Day” and this day will be a time to reflect upon the struggles on Indigenous peoples in our Country, and to celebrate their cultures and values; and to acknowledge the Massachusetts Tribe every year on second Monday of October.

Indigenous Peoples Day



Catherine A. Harrison, Chair



Gary R. Cheeseman, Vice-Chair



Dianne K. Bucco, Clerk