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**Resolution for National Native American Heritage Month
 November 2020**

WHEREAS, as the first people to inhabit North America, American Indians and Alaskan Natives have profoundly shaped our country's character and cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans were the first people to domesticate crops, build cities and communities, and establish great civilizations in America; and

WHEREAS, the history, culture and traditions of the United States have been greatly influenced by those individuals long before our founding; and

WHEREAS, through the study of Native Americans and their traditions and values inspired—and continue to inspire—the ideals of self-governance and determination that are the framework of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach, through its core values, emphasizes the importance of cross-cultural competence within our school division.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach officially recognizes the month of November 2020 as National Native American Heritage Month; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach encourages all citizens to support and participate in the various school and local activities during National Native American Heritage Month; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes of this Board.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 10th day of November 2020.


 Carolyn T. Rye, School Board Chair

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 Aaron C. Spence, Superintendent

Attest:


 Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the Board

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