

- Whereas, Native Americans, the indigenous peoples and original stewards of this land, have resided in the Columbia and Willamette River Basins since time immemorial; and
- Whereas, there are nearly 60,000 people, descended from more than 380 tribes in the Portland area Native community; and
- Whereas, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was founded in 1944 in response to United States termination and assimilation policies that "was forced upon the tribal governments in contradiction of their treaty rights and status as sovereigns"; and
- Whereas, since their founding, the National Congress of American Indians has been diligent in informing the public and U.S.

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- Whereas, Portland was selected as the host city for the National Congress of American Indian's 68th Annual Conference being held from October 30th to November 2nd, 2011—the first time in over 30 years that the National Congress of American Indians has been in Portland; and
- Whereas, the City of Portland is honored and privileged to have the National Congress of American Indians Annual Conference in Portland and is deeply respectful of the sovereignty of the tribal governments; and
- Whereas, Native Americans have contributed immeasurably to our country, state and city's heritage distinguishing themselves as scholars, artists, entrepreneurs and leaders;
- Now, therefore, I, Sam Adams, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim November 2, 2011 to be

National Congress of American Indians Day

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this day.

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