

# PROCLAMATION



## Office of the Mayor

**WHEREAS**, Indigenous Peoples' Day honors the invaluable contributions of all Native Americans and commemorates their shared history and culture; and

**WHEREAS**, the territory where the City of Appleton is today was traditionally occupied by the Ho-Chunk and the Menominee Indians; and

**WHEREAS**, the Menominee Nation ceded this territory to the United States in the Treaty of the Cedars in 1836, with Chief Oshkosh representing the Menominee; and

**WHEREAS**, Appleton recognizes the fact that the City was built on the homelands and villages of the Indigenous Peoples of the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the City values social, economic, and cultural contributions they make to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by the International Conference on Discrimination Against the Indigenous Population in the Americas, a delegation sponsored by First Nations leaders in the United States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 9, 2023, as

## Indigenous Peoples' Day

in Appleton and urge residents to celebrate and value the Indigenous Peoples of Appleton, participate in the annual celebrations and activities, encourage the teaching of their history, encourage businesses, organizations, and public institutions to recognize this day, and promote the well-being of Appleton's Indigenous community.

Signed and sealed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.



**JACOB A. WOODFORD**  
MAYOR OF APPLETON