



## *Town of Stow Select Board*

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# **PROCLAMATION**

## **Native American Heritage Month**

### **November 2022**

**WHEREAS**, National Native American Heritage Month is honored nationwide from November 1 to November 30 each year. The observation began in 1976 when a Cherokee/Osage Indian named Jerry C. Elliott-High Eagle authored Native American Awareness Week legislation, the first historical week of recognition in the nation for Native Peoples. This led to 1986 with then President Ronald Reagan proclaiming November 23–30, 1986, as "American Indian Week". Following on August 3, 1990, President George H. W. Bush declared the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month.

**WHEREAS**, this commemorative month aims to provide a platform for Native people in the United States of America to share their culture, traditions, music, crafts, dance, and ways and concepts of life. This gives Native people the opportunity to express to their community, both city, county, and state officials their concerns and solutions for building bridges of understanding and friendship in their local area.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Stow is committed to recognizing Native American culture and heritage as an important part of the Town and its strong, inclusive community;


**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Select Board does hereby proclaim November 2022 as

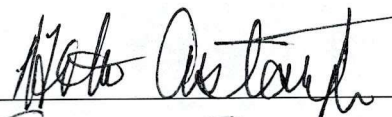
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in the Town of Stow and call its observance to all residents, who can visit  
<https://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov> to learn more.

*Signed this day, the 22nd of November 2022*

*Members of the Select Board of Stow, MA*

  
Margaret Clark

  
Robert Asstaph

  
Arthur Freeman