

Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day

1 message

Katie Arth <katiearth@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 7:58 AM

To: Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org

Dear Mr. Espinosa,

I live in Echo Park and wanted to express my support for changing Columbus Day. It is important for a city like Los Angeles to take the lead and teach accurate history and this would be a great start.

Thank you for your time.

Kind regards,

Katie Arth
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It only takes a moment to change the life of an animal facing abuse and exploitation. Find your voice.

Indigenous day

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erika estrada <erikaestrada13@hotmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 6:56 AM

To: "Michael.Espinosa@LACity.org" <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>

8/23/2017

To the Honorable Herb Wesson, President of the Los Angeles City Council To the Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council

I am writing to express my strong support for Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell's effort to repeal Columbus Day and replace it with Indigenous People's Day (Council File 15-1343) in the City of Los Angeles, on the second Monday in October.

Recognizing the contributions, history, and sacrifices made by the original inhabitants of the Los Angeles area is long overdue. In recent years, there is a greater awareness of the well documented history of the Americas from the time Christopher Columbus set foot on the shores of what is historically referred to as Hispaniola in 1492. Indeed, Columbus returned three additional times to the "New World", setting in motion a genocide that would last centuries, the effects thereof are still felt today.

Later, the Spanish missionaries came to California, decimating native Tribes to the point of extinction in some cases. It is time for Los Angeles to reflect on the legacy of these actions and create a permanent tribute to the people who made it possible for the rest of us to make a life for ourselves on the lands that the original inhabitants were so mercilessly removed from.

Thank you for voting in favor of replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day

Sincerely

Erika estrada
Winnetka , California

CF 15-1343

1 message

Caroline Anderson <carolineand@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 7:09 AM

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Greetings. My name is Caroline Anderson, I have been a Los Angeles resident for 7 years, and I'm writing to voice my support for CF 15-1343 which would replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day.

Now more than ever it is important to embrace and be clear about facts. Many of us received highly false educations about the roots of this country and the people who founded it. While I think it is okay to express gratitude for the founders of our country, I believe it is far more important to gather and revere the lives lost that were never mourned properly. I can count Indigenous Peoples as friends, and there is so much their community needs from us as a nation and it all starts with respect.

I look forward to my progressive and empathetic city doing the right thing.

-Caroline Anderson

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From: Judith Garcia <4jthgarcia@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Aug 22, 2017 at 6:25 PM

Subject: Renaming Second Monday of Oct. Indigenous Peoples Day

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August 22, 2017

Los Angeles City Council

President HERB J. WESSON, JR.

Honorable City Councilmember's

I write this letter to urge the Los Angeles City Council the passing of the motion of Councilman Mitch O'Farrel' (Council File 15-1343) renaming Columbus Day to "Indigenous Peoples Day", a National Holiday.

I look forward to the Los Angeles City Council member's who represent the historical City of Los Angeles, founded September 4, 1781, to recognize the importance of this change through their approval and passing of the renaming of Columbus Day to "Indigenous Peoples Day".

This long over due change, which ignores and rekindles the pain and suffering of Indigenous Peoples history, genocide, removal of land, water, and more by the continuance of the celebration of the Holliday in the name of Christopher Columbus.

I saddened to see Councilman Mr. Joe Buscaino, who took office in 2012, rejecting his support to this proposal, which he should understand this change embarks on many decades in the making of this long waited correction.

Furthermore Councilman Buscaino should note that Christopher Columbus embellish and represents slavery.

Sincerely

Judith Garcia

Resident of the 13th Council District,

Former Greater Echo Park Neighborhood Council

President, East Los Angeles Health Task Force

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Bridget Dillon <bridgetdillon106@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 1:37 PM

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Dear Michael,

Please send a strong message to the rest of the nation by supporting CF 15-1343 on August 30th.

Thank you,

Bridget A Dillon, Echo Park.

SUPPORT for CF 15-1343

1 message

Stephanie Shaw <stephaniedshaw@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 1:13 PM

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Dear Mr. Espinosa,

I'm writing as a resident in Los Angeles to urge the LA City Council to support CF 15-1343. Now more than ever, we should reject the abhorrent legacy of Christopher Columbus and instead honor the people who are native to this country, by renaming the October holiday as Indigenous Peoples Day. Thank you!

Best,

Stephanie Shaw

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Support For CF 15-1343 - Changing Columbus Day To Indigenous Peoples Day

1 message

Nick Ciarelli <nciarelli@gmail.com> Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 10:50 AM

To: Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org

Hello,

My name is Nick Ciarelli and I am a resident of Los Angeles, CA (zip code 90028). I am emailing to express my support of motion CF 15-1343, which would replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day in the city of Los Angeles. The day should be a celebration of Native American values and history, and not genocidal figures that destroyed its people. Many other cities have done this and I hope Los Angeles follows their example.

Let me know if there is any information I need to provide.

Thank you.

Nick Ciarelli