

# CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

## PROCLAMATION

### DECLARING NOVEMBER 2022 AS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

Native American Heritage Month, also known as American Indian Heritage Month, is an opportunity to celebrate the rich culture and traditions of Native Americans while recognizing the tremendous contributions that Native Americans have and continue to make to the United States.

**WHEREAS,** Native American Heritage Month has been advocated for and observed in many communities since the early 1900s, and nationally and officially established in 1990; and

**WHEREAS,** Native Americans have long called Maryland home before the first American colonial settlers; and

**WHEREAS,** despite a painful history marked by unjust federal and state policies of assimilation and termination, Native American people have persevered; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Hyattsville celebrates the culture and history of all Native peoples, including members of the Maryland State Recognized Tribes: Piscataway Indian Nation, Piscataway Conoy Tribe and the Accohannock Indian Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the values and spirit celebrated this month are ones that resonate for Americans of every background and heritage, including respect for the natural world and the flourishing of future generations;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of Hyattsville hereby proclaims the month of November 2022 as Native American Heritage Month, and all residents are encouraged to learn about the lasting legacies of the original inhabitants of what is now the United States.

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**Robert Croslin**  
*Mayor, City of Hyattsville*

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