



## **Buncombe County Board of Commissioners**

### **Request for Board Action**

**Meeting Date: 11/21/2023**

#### **Presentations**

**Department:** Equity and Human Rights Office

**Presenter(s):** Sonja Saunooke, Tara Alexander

**Contact(s):** Dr. Noreal Armstrong, Chief Equity & Human Rights Officer

**Subject:** Native American Heritage Month Proclamation

**Brief Summary:** Native American Heritage Month is a time to honor and celebrate the rich and diverse cultures of indigenous people, raise awareness about our shared history, recognize that truth must come before reconciliation, and acknowledge the important contributions that Native Americans have made to our community and our nation. According to the Indian Bureau of Indian Affairs, each year in November, it is a time to celebrate the traditions, languages, and stories of Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and affiliated Island communities and ensure their rich histories and contributions continue to thrive with each passing generation.