

**EMAILS IN SUPPORT OF 21-0565 (INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY) AND
21-0597 (LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT) RECEIVED AFTER START OF 5/13/2021 BOARD MEETING**

	NAME	ORGANIZATION/CITY	EMAIL DATE
1	James Pruitt	Chicago	5/13/2021
2	Carrol Smith	Oakl Park	5/13/2021
3	Emily Thomas	Chicago	5/13/2021
4	Gabi Mulder	Chicago	5/13/2021
5	Maria Tolpin	Evanston	5/13/2021
6	Sam Chen	Skokie	5/13/2021
7	Christine Kenny	Evanston	5/13/2021
8	Eileen Wiviott	Skokie	5/13/2021
9	Jess Kursman	Chicago	5/13/2021
10	Jamie Storyward	Chicago	5/13/2021
11	Lisa Litberg	Morton Grove	5/13/2021
12	Clara Raubertas	Chicago	5/13/2021
13	Janet McDonnell	Arlington Heights	5/13/2021
14	Iggy Ladden	Chicago	5/13/2021
15	Ron Kollath	Chicago	5/13/2021
16	Sidney Borgetti	Chicago	5/13/2021
17	Jen Cimala	Chicago	5/13/2021
18	S. Carlson	Evanston	5/13/2021
19	Tammy Georgiou	Palos Hills	5/13/2021
20	Kareena Machunas	Chicago	5/13/2021
21	Grace Wire	Chicago	5/13/2021
22	Jody Slate	Chicago	5/13/2021
23	Jenna Pollack	Evanston	5/13/2021
24	Grace Barter	Chicago	5/13/2021
25	Faten Dabis	Chicago	5/13/2021
26	Lisa Kosowski	Chicago	5/13/2021
27	Sarah Provencher	Chicago	5/13/2021
28	Tracy McLellan	Chicago	5/13/2021
29	Erica Fada	Chicago	5/13/2021

From: [James Pruitt](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

James Pruitt
jamesisapruitt@gmail.com
1236 E Madison Park
Chicago, Illinois 60615

From: [Carrol Smith](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Carrol Smith
smithcarrola@gmail.com
1016 S. Highland Ave.
Oak Park, Illinois 60304

From: [Emily Thomas](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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I'm a constituent of Commissioner Gainer.

Thank you.

Emily Thomas
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From: [Gabi Mulder](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

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Chicago, Illinois 60660

From: [Maria Tolpin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Maria Tolpin
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From: [Sam Chen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Sam Chen
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8516 Drake Ave
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From: [Christine Kenny](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Christine Kenny
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From: [Eileen Wiviott](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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As an Italian American and a faith leader in Evanston, I fully support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

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Thank you.

Eileen Wiviott
ewiviott@hotmail.com
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SKOKIE, Illinois 60076-2744

From: [Jess Kursman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jess Kursman
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From: [Jamie Storyward](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jamie Storyward
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From: [Lisa Litberg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Lisa Litberg
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From: clara.raubertas@gmail.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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5435 S HYDE PARK BLVD, APT 3N, #3
Chicago, Illinois 60615

From: [Janet McDonnell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Iggy Ladden](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Iggy Ladden
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1733 W Catalpa Ave
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From: [Ron Kollath](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Ron Kollath
environmentalenergy@yahoo.com
1321 N. Milwaukee Ave., #456
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From: [Sidney Borgetti](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sidney Borgetti
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3115 S May St
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From: [Jen Cimala](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Jen Cimala
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1831 W Cuyler Ave
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From: [S. Carlson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Tammy Georgiou](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Tammy Georgiou
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From: [Kareena Machunas](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Grace Wire](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Jody Slate](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Chicago, Illinois 60657

From: [Jenna Pollack](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
Date: Thursday, May 13, 2021 1:42:31 PM

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Thank you.

Jenna Pollack
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Evanston, Illinois 60201

From: [Grace Barter](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Grace Barter
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911 w carmen ave
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From: [Faten Dabis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

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From: [Lisa Kosowski](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Lisa Kosowski
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Chicago, Illinois 60640

From: [Sarah Provencher](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
Date: Thursday, May 13, 2021 10:45:28 AM

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Thank you.

Sarah Provencher
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3147 West Belden Avenue, #3
Chicago, Illinois 60647

From: [Tracy McLellan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

The slaughter by Christopher Columbus of the welcoming and inoffensive Awawaks upon his arrival in the "New World" should make Columbus disreputable, not honored with a holiday. In "The People's History of the United States," Howard Zinn reports of the mayhem the European visited upon the native. And the hell they turned Ayiti in the New World into.

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Thank you.

Tracy McLellan
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From: [Erica Fada](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For Indigenous Peoples' Day!!
Date: Thursday, May 13, 2021 5:42:35 PM

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Thank you.

Erica Fada
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**EMAILS IN SUPPORT OF 21-0565 (INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY) AND
21-0597 (LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT) RECEIVED AFTER 5:00 PM 5/12/2021**

	NAME	ORGANIZATION/CITY	EMAIL DATE
1	Angela Baluk	Chicago	5/12/2021
2	Monica Komperda	Chicago	5/12/2021
3	Drew Flippin	Chicago	5/13/2021
4	Hallie Rosen	Evanston	5/13/2021
5	Lauren Haynes	Chicago	5/13/2021
6	Pauline Lacson	Chicago	5/13/2021
7	Victoria Brosilow	Chicago	5/13/2021

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Angela Baluk <abaluk@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2021 7:17 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

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Thank you.

Angela Baluk
abaluk@sbcglobal.net
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Chicago, Illinois 60618

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From: Monica Komperda <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2021 10:28 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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Thank you.

Monica Komperda
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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Drew Flippin <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2021 7:58 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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Thank you.

Drew Flippin
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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Hallie Rosen <Hallie1836@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2021 6:29 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

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Hallie Rosen

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From: Lauren Haynes <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2021 5:49 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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From: Pauline Lacson <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2021 7:49 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Hello! Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

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Thank you.

Your neighbor,

Pauline Lacson

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Chicago, Illinois 60618

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Victoria Brosilow <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 13, 2021 9:19 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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1	Matt Priest	Mount Prospect	5/3/2021
2	Sara Reschly	Chicago	5/3/2021
3	Gloria Avalos	Tinley Park	5/3/2021
4	Judith Bussell	Chicago	5/3/2021
5	Maria L. Ortega	Chicago	5/3/2021
6	Morris Applebaum	Berwyn	5/3/2021
7	Ryan Dump	Chicago	5/3/2021
8	Molly Greening	Skokie	5/3/2021
9	Etta Worthington	Forest Park	5/3/2021
10	Tess Sutter	Chicago	5/3/2021
11	Christine Escobar	Evanston	5/3/2021
12	Marjorie Fritz-Birch	Chicago	5/3/2021
13	Grace Barter	Chicago	5/3/2021
14	Ariana Madera	Stickney	5/3/2021
15	Beth Johnson	Evanston	5/3/2021
16	Arturo Carrillo	Chicago	5/3/2021
17	Kevin Pujanauski	Chicago	5/3/2021
18	Fabiola Ochoa	Chicago	5/3/2021
19	Andrea Mendiola	Berwyn	5/3/2021
20	Cathy King	Chicago	5/3/2021
21	Samantha Alvarez	Chicago	5/3/2021
22	Veronica Rodriguez	Chicago	5/3/2021
23	Karen T	Chicago	5/3/2021
24	Camilo T	Chicago	5/3/2021
25	Karen Goldman	Chicago	5/3/2021
26	Andrea Ortiz	Chicago	5/3/2021
27	Eric Waller	Chicago	5/3/2021
28	Andrea A. Raila	Chicago	5/3/2021
29	Eamon Daly	Chicago	5/3/2021
30	Jennifer Ciok	Mount Prospect	5/3/2021
31	Dave Stieber	Chicago	5/3/2021
32	Krista Paradiso	Northbrook	5/3/2021
33	Michael Nash	Chicago	5/3/2021
34	JeeYeun Lee	Chicago	5/3/2021
35	Rupal Soni	Naperville	5/3/2021
36	Rupal Soni	Chicago	5/3/2021
37	Sarah Dennis	Chicago	5/3/2021
38	Keri Cavanaugh	Chicago	5/3/2021
39	Devika Ranjan	Chicago	5/3/2021
40	Samantha Pellegrino	Chicago	5/3/2021
41	Pia Holec	Chicago	5/3/2021
42	Jessica Escutia	Rolling Meadows	5/3/2021
43	Harry Ward	Chicago	5/3/2021
44	Sarah Peace	Chicago	5/3/2021

45	Lisa Litberg	Morton Grove	5/3/2021
46	Sharlyn Grace	Chicago	5/3/2021
47	Mearah Quinn-Brauner	Chicago	5/3/2021
48	Aubrey Wells	Chicago	5/3/2021
49	Eliza Bangert	Chicago	5/3/2021
50	Alison Janssen	Evanston	5/3/2021
51	Bonnie Richardson	Chicago	5/3/2021
52	Jasmine Gonzalez	Chicago	5/3/2021
53	Marjorie Fritz-Birch	Chicago	5/4/2021
54	Thom Greene	Chicago	5/4/2021
55	Briana Payton	Chicago	5/4/2021
56	Melissa Priego	Chicago	5/4/2021
57	Lauren Barnhart	Chicago	5/4/2021
58	Killian Walsh	Chicago	5/4/2021
59	Christopher Rapisarda	Chicago	5/4/2021
60	Sandra Hazel	Chicago	5/4/2021
61	Esmeralda Montesinos	Chicago	5/4/2021
62	Cathy Shanley	Chicago	5/4/2021
63	Ilana Rossoff	Chicago	5/4/2021
64	Hazel Ford-Tate	Chicago	5/4/2021
65	Joe Weishampel	Chicago	5/4/2021
66	Alex Curio	Chicago	5/4/2021
67	Laurie Fuller	Chicago	5/4/2021
68	Susan Wiechman	La Roy, Illinois	5/4/2021
69	Cristina Perez	Chicago	5/4/2021
70	Jacob Cantor	Chicago	5/4/2021
71	Jonathan Reiman	Chicago	5/4/2021
72	Sean Kase	Chicago	5/4/2021
73	Maureen Keane	Chicago	5/4/2021
74	Sara Williams	Chicago	5/4/2021
75	Dave Peterson	Berwyn	5/4/2021
76	Alex Linden	Chicago	5/4/2021
77	Leon Evans	Chicago	5/4/2021
78	Claudia Sanchez	Chicago	5/4/2021
79	Elizabeth Galik	Chicago	5/4/2021
80	Amisha Patel	Oak Park	5/4/2021
81	Steve Serikaku	Chicago	5/4/2021
82	Linda Hamburg	Chicago	5/4/2021
83	Caitlin Guerra	Chicago	5/4/2021
84	Colt Borg	Chicago	5/4/2021
85	Kara Wagner Shere	Chicago	5/4/2021
86	Alicia Ali	Chicago	5/4/2021
87	Jillian Dowdy	Chicago	5/5/2021
88	Matt Tempkin	Chicago	5/5/2021
89	Joanne Otte	Chicago	5/5/2021
90	Susan Velazquez	Chicago	5/5/2021
91	Taiwo Ajasa	Evanston	5/5/2021

92	Allison Hadlock	Des Plaines	5/5/2021
93	Jennifer Zeiger	Chicago	5/5/2021
94	Jesse Auerbach	Chicago	5/5/2021
95	Rhona Jacobs	Chicago	5/5/2021
96	dgutman2@gmail.com	Chicago	5/5/2021
97	Nicole Reynolds	Skokie	5/5/2021
98	Bridget Greenfield	Chicago	5/5/2021
99	Gabriela Dylis	Evanston	5/5/2021
100	Allyse Freeman	Chisholm, Minnesota	5/5/2021
101	Mariam Usmani	Chicago	5/5/2021
102	Erin Burns	Chicago	5/5/2021
103	Ricardo Garcia	Chicago	5/5/2021
104	Mary Mahon	Chicago	5/5/2021
105	Brian Tochtermann	Chicago	5/5/2021
106	Emily Panci	Chicago	5/5/2021
107	Jeff Wheeler	Chicago	5/5/2021
108	Rachel Elizabeth Maley	Hoffman Estates	5/5/2021
109	Cindy Dimmitt	Chicago	5/5/2021
110	Jessica Palumbo	Chicago	5/5/2021
111	Erica Bentley	Chicago	5/5/2021
112	Jacqueline Pozza	Skokie	5/5/2021
113	Haley Henscheid	Chicago	5/5/2021
114	Clair Fuller	Chicago	5/6/2021
115	Ellen Harrigian	Schaumburg	5/6/2021
116	Pam Miller	Chicago	5/6/2021
117	Lauren Gardier	Chicago	5/6/2021
118	Emily Miller	Chicago	5/6/2021
119	Nicole Roberson	Des Plaines	5/6/2021
120	Felipe Fisher	Chicago	5/6/2021
121	Abby Greaney	Chicago	5/6/2021
122	Andrew Chen	Chicago	5/6/2021
123	Erin Mackinney	River Forest	5/6/2021
124	Jacob Kearney	Chicago	5/6/2021
125	Eileen Knight	Chicago	5/6/2021
126	Marina Kalinichev	Chicago	5/6/2021
127	William Estrada	Chicago	5/6/2021
128	Leah Konops	Chicago	5/6/2021
129	Cristal Bedolla	Chicago	5/6/2021
130	Nicole Sammartino	Chicago	5/6/2021
131	Celia DeBoer	Chicago	5/6/2021
132	Patrick Brosnan	Chicago	5/6/2021
133	Nicholas Ward	Chicago	5/6/2021
134	Adrienne Pollitz	Chicago	5/6/2021
135	Krista Elam	Chicago	5/6/2021
136	Julia Rademacher-Wedd	Chicago	5/6/2021
137	Jeffrey Coffey	Chicago	5/6/2021
138	March Washelesky	Chicago	5/6/2021

139	Debra McGovern	Chicago	5/6/2021
140	Anael Pérez	Chicago	5/6/2021
141	Lisa Poirier	Chicago	5/6/2021
142	Lisa Litberg	Morton Grove	5/6/2021
143	Sara Brodzinsky	Chicago	5/6/2021
144	Keisa Reynolds	Franklin Park	5/6/2021
145	Mac Grambauer	Chicago	5/6/2021
146	Melodi Serna	Chicago	5/6/2021
147	Holly Hoffman	Evanston	5/6/2021
148	Bridgette Thoma	Chicago	5/6/2021
149	Colin Higgins	Chicago	5/6/2021
150	Alma Moreno	Chicago	5/6/2021
151	Allan Hippensteel	Chicago	5/6/2021
152	Hilary Krivchenia	Chicago	5/6/2021
153	Katie Madden	Chicago	5/6/2021
154	Sarah Young	Chicago	5/6/2021
155	Anna Lane	Chicago	5/6/2021
156	Beto Defreitas	Chicago	5/6/2021
157	Jhoanna Maldonado	Chicago	5/6/2021
158	Marie O'Brien	Chicago	5/6/2021
159	Cathy King	Chicago	5/6/2021
160	Florian Palucci	Chicago	5/6/2021
161	Melissa Prober	Northbrook	5/6/2021
162	Steve Dennis	Chicago	5/6/2021
163	Jacob Campbell	Oak Park	5/6/2021
164	Mayumi Tiburzi	Schaumburg	5/6/2021
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325	Dolores Nobles-Knight	Flossmoor	5/12/2021
326	Azra Haque	Oakbrook	5/12/2021

327	Michael Schnabel	Chicago	5/12/2021
328	Mary Ramirez	Chicago	5/12/2021
329	Andrea Fousté	Chicago	5/12/2021

From: [Matt Priest](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

It has taken centuries to get to this point, but I truly believe that we Americans are finally ready to come to terms with our history and find ways to honor the people that have been forgotten for for too long...

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Thank you.

Matt Priest
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From: [sreschly](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Gloria Avalos](#)
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Thank you.

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Tinley Park, Illinois 60477

From: [Judith Bussell](#)
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Thank you.

Judith Bussell
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From: [Maria L. Ortega](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Morris Applebaum](#)
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Thank you.

Morris Applebaum
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Berwyn, Illinois 60402

From: [Ryan Dump](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Ryan Dump
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From: [Molly Greening](#)
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Cook County Board,

I am writing to urge you to vote yes for Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. My organization, the Suburban Solidarity Network, is in full support of these changes, along with many other important organizations in Cook County. (<https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

Please show that you are listening to your concerned constituents. I will be awaiting the Public Hearing on May 24th.

Sincerely,

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Skokie, Illinois 60077-3107

From: [Etta Worthington](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Etta Worthington
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Forest Park, Illinois 60130-2827

From: [Tess Sutter](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Tess Sutter
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From: [Christine Escobar](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Christine S. Escobar

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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Grace Barter](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

As a Cook County resident, I've shared my thoughts on this issue before. But, I hope you will join the thousands of people in Cook County who support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>) and I'm urging you to join us in this important change.

PLEASE do the right and just thing in the name of equity and racial justice when you vote in June! We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you very much.

Grace Barter
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From: [Ariana Madera](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Beth Johnson](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Arturo Carrillo](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Kevin Pujanauski](#)
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From: [Fabiola Ochoa](#)
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From: [Andrea Mendiola](#)
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From: [Cathy King](#)
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From: [Samantha Alvarez](#)
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From: [Veronica Rodriguez](#)
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From: [Karen T](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Camilo T](#)
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From: [Karen Goldman](#)
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From: [Andrea Ortiz](#)
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From: [Eric Waller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Andrea Raila](#)
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From: [Eamon Daly](#)
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From: [Jennifer Ciok](#)
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Jennifer Ciok

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From: [Krista Paradiso](#)
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Cook County Board,

Please show that we are a people capable of regret and growth! I'm not the only one who support replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day and reading of a Land Acknowledgement at board meetings for Cook County. Your voting yes on these issues models useful change that speaks volumes about who we want to be. When you vote in June, please vote yes!

Thank you.

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From: [Michael Nash](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [JeeYeun Lee](#)
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From: [Rupal Soni](#)
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From: [Sarah Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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The Coalition leaders are HAPPY to still meet with you at your convenience if you have questions/concerns. We REALLY appreciate those who have told us they plan to vote Yes! We HOPE the rest of you (or more of you) will join them and be in the RIGHT side of history on this one!

Thank you.

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From: [Keri Cavanaugh](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Devika Ranjan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Devika Ranjan
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From: [Samantha Pellegrino](#)
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Dear Commissioners,

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Samantha Pellegrino
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From: [Pia Holec](#)
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From: [Jessica Escutia](#)
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From: [Harry Ward](#)
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Sarah Peace
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From: [Lisa Litberg](#)
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From: [Mearah Quinn-Brauner](#)
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From: [Aubrey Wells](#)
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From: [Eliza Bangert](#)
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From: [Alison Janssen](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Jasmine Gonzalez](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [Bridget Gainer](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [stanleymoore2@cookcountytill.gov](#)
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Commissioners,

I am writing once again to ask for your support to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. This is being done all around us. I have volunteered for many years at the 48th ward office and I live in Edgewater. Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky is a supporter as are Rep Cassidy, Sen Simmons, Alds Osterman, Vasquez and Hadden. We have growing support in the state legislature.

Indigenous People's Day is as crucial to the Native community as Juneteenth is to the African American community. Over 160 states, cities, counties and universities have done this. Interestingly, not one country in the Americas or the Caribbean celebrate the day. Italy and Spain do not celebrate Columbus Day. That begs the question, why do we?? It is time to right this wrong.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Marjorie Fritz-Birch

From: [Thom Greene](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thom Greene
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From: briana@chicagobond.org
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Briana Payton
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From: [Melissa Priego](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Melissa Priego
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From: [Lauren Barnhart](#)
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Thank you.

Lauren Barnhart
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From: [Killian Walsh](#)
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Cook County Board,

I am contacting you as an awardee of this year's 2021 Cook County Women's Issue, Unsung Heroine Award. I cherish this honor and as an awardee, I appreciate the opportunity to reach out and express my support for Indigenous People's Day and my reasons.

Natives are our country. This is a dimensioning population. We can easily honor the indigenous population now. What has been done to the Natives is obviously, historically cruel and criminal.

During 2019, the Newberry Library held a year-long education of the tribes of North America. I grew up in Old Town and was in school with native students. I was stunned that possibly; when I was in grammar school, they may have been part of the US relocation project that included Chicago. We all hung out together and its funny how children just are kids on the playlot. I don't know if I'll ever know, but I can take any opportunity to say yes.

We know, Columbus, enslaved Natives and relocation began with him. From the first day he encountered the Native, he wrote in his journal: "They should be good servants I, our Lord being pleased, will take hence, at the time of my departure, natives for your Highnesses."
(<https://secure.understandingprejudice.org/nativeiq/columbus.htm>)

How does a city recognize a wrong? As with the recent passing of Juneteenth, you simply say yes. Please consider doing an honor for the living, who want to honor their heritage.

Support Indigenous People's Day.
Killian Walsh

10th District

We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you.

Killian Walsh

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From: [Christopher Rapisarda](#)
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Christopher Rapisarda
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From: [Sandra Hazel](#)
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Sandra Hazel
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From: [Esmeralda Montesinos](#)
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Thank you.

Esmeralda Montesinos
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From: [Cathy Shanley](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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I am a retired elementary public school teacher. I celebrated Indigenous Day because Columbus always was the beginning of land stealing, mass murder and devastation of entire cultures. Why would I encourage students to celebrate that?

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Thank you.

Cathy Shanley
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Chicago, Illinois 60640

From: [Ilana Rossoff](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Ilana Rossoff
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CHICAGO, Illinois 60626-4890

From: [Hazel Ford-Tate](#)
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Hazel Ford-Tate
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From: [Joe Weishampel](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Joe Weishampel
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From: [Alex Curio](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Laurie Fuller](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Susan Wiechman](#)
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From: [Cristina Perez](#)
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From: [Jacob Cantor](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Jacob Cantor
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From: [Jonathan Reiman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Sean Kase](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Maureen Keane](#)
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From: [Sara Williams](#)
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From: [Dave Peterson](#)
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From: [Alex Linden](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Leon Evans](#)
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From: [Claudia Sanchez](#)
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Claudia Sanchez
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From: [Claudia Sanchez](#)
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From: [Elizabeth Galik](#)
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Thank you.

Elizabeth Galik
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From: [Amisha Patel](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Amisha Patel
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From: [Steve Serikaku](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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A walk through the forest preserves makes me aware of the wisdom of Indigenous people.

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Thank you.

Steve Serikaku
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6234 N Wayne Ave
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From: [Linda Hamburg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Linda Hamburg
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From: [Caitlin Guerra](#)
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From: [Colt Borg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Colt Borg
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From: [Kara Wagner Sherer](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Kara Wagner Sherer
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From: [Alicia Ali](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Alicia Ali
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Chicago, Illinois 60611

From: [Jillian Dowdy](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Please take a look at this Cook County
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Jillian Dowdy, Rogers Park Resident

From: [Matt Tempkin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Matt Tempkin
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Skokie, Illinois 60076

From: [Joanne Otte](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Joanne Otte
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Chicago, Illinois 60646

From: [Susan Velazquez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Susan Velazquez
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From: [Taiwo Ajasa](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Taiwo Ajasa
tfajasa@eths202.org
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Evanston, Illinois 60201

From: [Allison Hadlock](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Allison Hadlock
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437 Graceland Ave
Des Plaines, Illinois 60016

From: [Jennifer Zeiger](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jennifer Zeiger
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From: [Jesse Auerbach](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jesse Auerbach
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From: [rhona.jacobs](#)
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Thank you.

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From: dgutman2@gmail.com
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Thank you.

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From: [Nicole Reynolds](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Nicole Reynolds
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5241 Madison St
Skokie, Illinois 60077-2447

From: [Bridget Greenfield](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Bridget Greenfield
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3221 S. Green Street, #1
Chicago, Illinois 60608

From: [Gabriela Dylis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Gabriela Dylis
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From: [Allyse Freeman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Allyse Freeman
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Chisholm, Minnesota 55719

From: [Mariam Usmani](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Erin Burns](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Erin Burns
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Chicago, Illinois 60639

From: [Ricardo Garcia](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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This is the bare minimum to show support to and uplift Native people. PLEASE do the right and just thing in the name of equity and racial justice when you vote in June! We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you.

Ricardo Garcia
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From: [Mary Mahon](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Columbus doesn't need our recognition now; our indigenous neighbors do.

We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you.

Mary Mahon
maryvvmahon@gmail.com
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From: [Brian Tochterman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Brian Tochterman
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From: [Emily Panci](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Emily Panci
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From: [Jeff Wheeler](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Jeff Wheeler
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Chicago, Illinois 60647

From: [Rachel Elizabeth Maley](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Rachel Elizabeth Maley
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From: [Cindy Dimmitt](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cindy Dimmitt
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From: [Jessica Palumbo](#)
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Jessica Palumbo
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From: [Erica Bentley](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Erica Bentley
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From: [Jacqueline Pozza](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

it's time we join the growing number of counties that are celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day instead of honoring a man who was responsible for the genocide and enslavement of indigenous peoples. Vote to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

Over 10,000 Cook County residents have Native American ancestry and even more identify as indigenous peoples from across the globe. PLEASE respect our fellow Cook County residents and help us teach our children TRUE history by voting for these measures in June! We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Signed, an Italian American and Native American Rights Ally

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From: [Haley Henscheid](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

My name is Haley and I'm an Umonhon and Chickahominy woman who has lived in Chicago for 4 years. As you may know, Chicago is on the ancestral homelands of the people of the council of Three Fires. While I love this city, this city needs to do more to support Native people, and that starts with a couple things.

1. Removing the racist Blackhawks mascot. I hate walking around this city and seeing the vision of an Indian head which was positions us as people of the past, and not current people's.
2. The county needs to change C*lumbus Day to Indigenous People's Day.

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Thank you.

Haley Henscheid
hjhenscheid13@gmail.com
1118 W 17th St
Chicago, Illinois 60608

From: [Clair Fuller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: In support of Indigenous Peoples' Day Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

Dear Commissioner,

I am writing as one of the many Cook County residents and voters who support replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day, and in support of reading a Land Acknowledgment at Board Meetings for Cook County and Cook County Forest Preserves (File #21-0565 and #21-0597, respectively). These are two common sense beginning steps towards honoring the Indigenous people of Illinois, past and present, and making it clear that we will no longer celebrate genocide in our County's holidays.

I will be following the Public Hearing this month, and urge you to vote YES on both files. Thank you.

Clair Fuller
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From: [Ellen Harrigian](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Ellen Harrigian
elblumenfeld@gmail.com
212 Waverley Ln
Schaumburg , Illinois 60193

From: [Pam Miller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Pam Miller
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Chicago, Illinois 60630

From: [Lauren Gardier](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Lauren Gardier
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From: [Emily Miller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thanks a bunch,

Emily Miller
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5206 W. Winnemac Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60630

From: [Nicole Roberson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Nicole Roberson
nroberson87@gmail.com
357 elk blvd
Des plaines, Illinois 60016

From: [Felipe Fisher](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

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Felipe Fisher
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5713 N Magnolia Ave
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From: [Abby Greaney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Abby Greaney
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From: [Andrew Chen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Andrew Chen
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From: [Erin Mackinney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Erin Mackinney
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River Forest, Illinois 60305

From: [Jacob Kearney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Jacob Kearney
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From: [Eileen Knight](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Eileen Knight
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From: [Marina Kalinichev](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [William Estrada](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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William Estrada
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From: [Leah Konops](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [cristal bedolla](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Nicole Sammartino](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

As a proud Italian-American, I support Indigenous Peoples' Day! Columbus' legacy is a violent and embarrassing mark on Italian-American history, and it needs to go. Hundreds of thousands of people in Cook County support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

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Thank you.

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From: [Celia DeBoer](#)
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Thank you.

Celia DeBoer
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From: [Patrick Brosnan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Patrick Brosnan
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From: [Nicholas Ward](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Nicholas Ward
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From: [Adrienne Pollitz](#)
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Thank you.

Adrienne Pollitz
adie95@hotmail.com
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From: [Krista Elam](#)
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Krista Elam
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From: [Julia Rademacher-Wedd](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Jeffrey Coffey](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [March Washelesky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Debra McGovern](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Debra McGovern
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From: [Anael Pérez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Lisa Poirier](#)
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Thank you.

Lisa Poirier
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From: [Lisa Litberg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Lisa Litberg
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7816 Luna Ave
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From: [Sara Brodzinsky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Sara Brodzinsky
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From: [Keisa Reynolds](#)
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Keisa Reynolds
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9514 Schiller Blvd
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From: [Mac Grambauer](#)
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Mac Grambauer
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From: [Melodi Serna](#)
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Thank you.

Melodi Serna
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From: [Holly Hoffman](#)
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Thank you.

Holly Hoffman
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From: [Bridgette Thoma](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Bridgette Thoma
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From: [Colin Higgins](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

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Thank you.

Colin Higgins
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911 W Carmen Ave
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From: [Alma Moreno](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Alma Moreno
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From: [Allan Hippensteel](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

For my growing up years, I grew up next to Sauk Trail Forest Preserve on the far south side. I still know next to nothing about these people who roamed these woods prior to we immigrants who settled here.

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Thank you.

Allan Hippensteel
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From: [Hilary Krivchenia](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Hilary Krivchenia
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From: [Katie Madden](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Katie Madden
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From: [Sarah Young](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sarah Young
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4245 N. Moody Ave.
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From: [Anna Lane](#)
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Anna Lane
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From: [Beto Defreitas](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Beto Defreitas
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From: [Jhoanna Maldonado](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jhoanna Maldonado
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From: [Marie O'Brien](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Marie O'Brien
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From: [Cathy King](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Cathy King
cathyk.chicago@gmail.com
6133 n springfield
Chicago, Illinois 60659

From: [Florian Palucci](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

I support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

As an Italian American I DO NOT feel honored by Columbus Day. There are many Italian Americans who are not responsible for dehumanization and genocide.

Moreover, there are Indigenous and Native Americans who should be honored instead.

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Thank you.

Florian Palucci
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2455 W. Logan Blvd
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From: [Melissa Prober](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Melissa Prober
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From: [Steve Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Steve Dennis
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4021 N Hamlin Ave #2
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From: [Jacob Campbell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you,
Jacob Campbell

Jacob Campbell
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Oak Park, Illinois 60302

From: [Mayumi Tiburzi](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

Greetings,

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Thank you.

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From: [Eilis Fagan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Eilis Fagan
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Chicago, Illinois 60614

From: [Maria Acosta](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Maria Acosta
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From: [Jane Yang](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

For too long, a one-sided version of history has persisted in America. It is long past due for us to have a broader Indigenous-centered perspective of history.

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Thank you.

Jane Yang
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From: [Eric Manabat](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Eric Manabat
emanabat@fieldmuseum.org
1400 S Lake Shore Dr
Chicago, Illinois 60640

From: [Gary Roberson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Gary Roberson
garygdr@yahoo.com
4229 Vernon Ave
Brookfield , Illinois 60513

From: [Rachel Blundy](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES On Indigenous Peoples Day
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Thank you.

Rachel Blundy
missrachelgalan@hotmail.com
4060 N Moody Ave
Chicago, Illinois 60634

From: [Andrea Carlson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day: Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

Columbus Day is violence perpetuated. It is historic violence justified and celebrated. I am an Ojibwe woman who lives on stolen Potawatomi land in Chicago's loop. Ask yourself, can you properly pronounce Potawatomi? Do you know anything at all about Anishinaabe people, anything at all? Now ask yourself if learning about a single man who has never set foot on North America should have a day of remembrance? Remember that this man also committed genocide.

Before you tell me about your own family history and your ethnic background, understand that I get to hear "land of opportunity" stories all the time. Know that this "land of opportunity" is stolen from Indigenous people everyday. Know that opportunity for some is the direct result of violence towards others.

I'm asking that you replace Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

PLEASE do the right and just thing in the name of equity and racial justice when you vote in June! We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you. Miigwech, Andrea Carlson

Andrea Carlson
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Chicago, Illinois 60601

From: [Suzanne Reed](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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There is much work to be done in recognizing Indigenous rights, let this be a first visible step in establishing equitable relationships with the first inhabitants of this land. My children and other Indigenous residents of Cook County will see this as a positive way of honoring and including those who have, up until now, suffered terrible injustice at the hands of local and federal governments. Visibility is a first step.

Thank you.

Suzanne Reed
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9133 Ewing
Evanston , Illinois 60203

From: [Ana Fuentes](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Ana Fuentes
ana.fuentes08@gmail.com
5641 W. Irving Park Road, Unit 2
Chicago, Illinois 60634

From: [David Sutherland](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

It is time to do the right thing for Indigenous communities!

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Thank you.

David Sutherland
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6708 W. Albion Ave
Niles, Illinois 60714

From: [Jennifer Johnson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Jennifer Johnson
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Chicago, Illinois 60660

From: [Scott Kauffman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Megan Browndorf](#)
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From: [Karen T](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

Dear Commissioners,

I am a voter & resident of District 9. I am the daughter of immigrants and according to my Ancestry DNA, I'm half European and half Native South American. I know the language, culture, religion, and traditions of my European ancestors. The language, culture, religion, and traditions of my indigenous ancestors were forcibly erased by the European conquest. It is time to acknowledge these wrongs and reclaim what has been lost. To celebrate the first of many conquistadors who butchered so many of my indigenous ancestors is disgusting to me personally and should be condemned in modern society. I, along with hundreds of thousands of people in Cook County support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

Recognizing Indigenous People's Day is an important step in the dismantling of White Supremacy in our culture.

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Thank you.

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From: jceason@gmail.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Jordan McClure](#)
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From: [Citlali Pérez](#)
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From: [Jamie Storyward](#)
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Jamie Storyward
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From: [Samantha Gleisten](#)
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From: [Dedrea Gray](#)
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From: [Vincent Bullen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Adilene Barragan](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Angela Sangha-Gadsden](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Siobhan Moffitt](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day is a *very* small, simple thing that should have been done DECADES ago. We must no longer openly celebrate a racist colonizer! But instead, recognize and honor the peoples who are the rightful owners of this land that was stolen from them.

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Thank you.
Siobhan Moffitt

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From: [Diana Rose](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

I am fortunate enough to teach in a school where we are able to educate our students about the history of Indigenous Peoples in the US. Based on their own research on the atrocities STILL faced by Indigenous People in our country, my students pushed for a change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day two years ago. We now use the day to continue to educate ourselves and support partnerships with Indigenous Tribes. It's time for Cook County to do the same!

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From: [Valerie Shull](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

Hi there, simply put, municipalities, organizations are already ahead on this. I'm reaching out to ask you to vote Yes so that Cook County will do the right thing and be more in line with what others have already done .

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Valerie Shull
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From: kzo.miller@gmail.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Fay Cheng](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Renee Patten](#)
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Thank you.

Renee Patten
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From: [Daniel Cohen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: meggan.trevey@gmail.com
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From: [Kellie Romany](#)
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From: [Grace Wire](#)
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From: [Jeff Stewart](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Rachel Azzarello](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Rachel Azzarello
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From: [Andy Swindler](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Andy Swindler
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From: [lauren karrenberg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Wayde Grinstead](#)
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Wayde Grinstead
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From: [Dan Roller](#)
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From: susanjeankatz@gmail.com
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From: [ishrat jahan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Barbara Graczyk](#)
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Barbara Graczyk
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From: [Erin Kelley](#)
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From: [Cindy Fey](#)
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Thank you.

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From: margaret.m.marion@gmail.com
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From: [Adi Alsaid](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Lauren Kullman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Burton DeWilde](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Laura Fairbank](#)
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Cook County Board,

We must honor and respect Indigenous Peoples and the land that was taken from them. I support replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day, and I hope you will vote for this change, too.

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Thank you.

Laura Fairbank
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From: [Claire Tinley](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Claire Tinley
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From: [Evan Gangi](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

I write to you today as a proud Italian-American. I believe my opinion is shared with many in our community, especially among the younger generations, who feel no connection to Christopher Columbus whatsoever.

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Thank you.

Evan Gangi
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From: [Michael Rabbit](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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This is a growing national movement, since 1992, in which 13 states, 6 counties, over 135 cities/towns, a dozen universities and school districts, including the Chicago Public Schools, Evanston, Oak Park, Niles Township, and more in Illinois have already made this change. Over 72 million people around the country live in states, cities and counties that recognize Indigenous People's Day. In Cook County, over 7,000 people have signed the petition in support, and many dozens of organizations which represent many thousands of constituents.

It's time for Cook County to join the movement. I ask you to do what's right for equity and racial justice when you vote in June!

Thank you.

Michael Rabbit
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From: [Joy Bunton](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Joy Bunton
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From: [Briana Naseer](#)
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From: [Sarah Homan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sarah Homan
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From: [Emily Heitzman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Emily Heitzman
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Chicago , Illinois 60660

From: [Johanna Thompson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Nina Corwin](#)
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The erasure and lies about Native people and US history taught in schools, in decades past and still today, must be changed. Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is one step in the right direction of acknowledging the harm caused by Columbus and his men, who sailed for Spain, and the lasting impacts of genocide and colonization.

PLEASE VOTE YES on File# 21-0565 & File# 21-0597

These Organizations SUPPORT changing Columbus Day to

Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County & the Cook County Forest Preserves

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Thank you.

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From: [Joe Hanafee](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Anita Baker](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Madeline Brigell](#)
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From: [Esther Grimm](#)
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From: [Marguerite Baran](#)
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From: [Brian Zane](#)
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From: [Guadalupe Fernandez](#)
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From: [Giuliana Molinaro](#)
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From: [Elizabeth Topel](#)
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From: [Veronica Ortiz](#)
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From: [Abbey Hambright](#)
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From: [Wendee Molano](#)
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From: [Carrie Bradean](#)
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From: [Cristina Perez-Mendoza](#)
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From: [Hannah Niederman](#)
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From: [Gladis Herst](#)
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From: [Donna Gutman](#)
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From: [Fabiola Ochoa](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Carla Rodriguez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Carla Rodriguez
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From: [Aiko Kojima Hibino](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Montserrat Lopez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Montserrat Lopez
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From: [Carlos Pecciotto](#)
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Cook County Board,

I am of Italian extraction, and I count myself among the hundreds of thousands of people in Cook County who support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

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Thank you.

Carlos Pecciotto
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From: [Lisa Litberg](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Maritza Silverio](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Sarah Weiner](#)
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Thank you.

Sarah Weiner
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From: [Belen Rodriguez](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Elizabeth Decker](#)
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Thank you.

Elizabeth Decker
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From: [Veronica Rodriguez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Belen Rodriguez](#)
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From: [Susan Katz](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Margaret Sents](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Gabriella Martinez](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Rosemarie Colacino](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

I write to you as an Italian American knowing that this is the right thing to do.

Please act and make positive change. You have the power to impact our future and honor Indigenous People!*

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Thank you

*MAKING AMENDS TOWARD NATIVE AMERICAN NATIONS

Native Americans lived on this continent for thousands of years before our European ancestors "discovered" it. The wisdom of the indigenous peoples of North America graced this soil before the white intruders ever arrived. It is estimated that in 1492 there were up to eighteen million indigenous people who lived in the area that is now the United States. Yet, by

1890, as a result of war and disease, there were only about 250,000 Natives left here alive.

Native Americans experienced both physical and cultural genocide.

Over the years, the US government made various treaties with Native tribes which have been continuously broken. Our broken promises have contributed to injustice and poverty among the more than 5 million Native Americans living here today. In addition to higher poverty rates, reservations are hindered by lower-than-national-average education levels, poor healthcare services, low employment, substandard housing, deficient economic infrastructure – and now, as in North Dakota during the 2018 midterms, voter suppression efforts.

It is time for our generation to atone and make fundamental amends for the accumulated transgressions of US policy. We must seek to overturn wrongs of the past that in many ways still linger today, and redress the problems that have been caused because of them.

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From: [Holly Fingerle](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Holly Fingerle
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From: [Alyssa Martinez](#)
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PLEASE do the right and just thing in the name of equity and racial justice when you vote in June! We owe this to the indigenous people who first stewarded this land and their descendants! We're looking forward to the Public Hearing May 24th!

Thank you.

Alyssa Martinez
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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
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Thank you.

Marjorie Fritz-Birch
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From: [Rabbi Brant Rosen](#)
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Thank you.

Rabbi Brant Rosen
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From: [Aboliton Coalition](#)
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Thank you.

Aboliton Coalition
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From: [Whitney Brewer](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Galya Walt](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); lsuffredin@cookcountytill.gov; [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Dear Commissioners

I am writing in response to a recent Tribune article you may have seen regarding Black Freedmen. I would like to offer additional information and perspective.

First, I agree that the Tribes should accept the Freedmen as citizens as outlined in the Treaty of 1866.

Second, there are 574 federally recognized Tribes and Freedmen were part of five: Cherokee (who have accepted the Freedmen), Choctaw, Seminole, Muskogee and Chickasaw. The main issues are citizenship, access to Indian Health Service and housing loans. Disenrollment is not new to these five Tribes, the Freedmen or the majority of the other federally recognized Tribes. It began with the Dawes Act of 1877 when the government disenrolled Native Americans and Freedmen in order to take the land. Disenrollment was an easy solution. It was continued with the Reorganization Act of 1934 and the Indian Relocation Act of 1952. The IRA of 1934 established blood quantum for citizenship and the Relocation Act was created to terminate reservations and assimilate Native people into urban areas. As a result thousands of Native Americans had their citizenship terminated by disenrollment proceedings that stripped them of their identity, acceptance in the Tribes, access to resources, education benefits and to the Indian Health Service. IHS is a federally governed program, not Tribal, and the US Government determines who receives care either by blood quantum or Tribal enrollment. Many disenrolled members are citizens of their Tribal Nations, not Freedmen, yet Tribes have the right to determine citizenship. Freedmen are a small part of the

disenrollment that is currently happening with Tribal citizens. This started en masse in the late 19th century, and as Sovereign Nations, they have the right, fair or not, to determine citizenship qualifications just as the US and all sovereign nations have for decades. In the 1978 Supreme Court decision, Santa Clara Pueblo v Martinez, Justice Thurgood Marshall wrote that Native Americans do not have the right to use Federal Courts as a way to correct civil rights violations committed by individual Tribes. Tribal Nations have an inherent authority to define their membership. Because Tribes are separate Sovereign Nations that existed prior to the ratification of the US Constitution, they are not constrained by constitutional protections like the 14th amendment.

To recap, all 574 Tribes, not just these five, will continue to disenroll members and not only Freedmen but also enrolled members whose citizenship was never in question prior to disenrollment. These are the members who have been on the rolls for years who qualified by both blood quantum and as enrolled citizens. Disenrollment is a larger problem that affects Native Americans and is not specific to Freedmen. It has become a way for Tribes to flex their right to Sovereignty through the courts even if they lose in the court of public opinion.

Thank you for taking the time to read and understand the history.

Respectfully,
Marjorie Fritz-Birch

From: [Laurie Nelson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

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As an educator of 41 years, I have never celebrated Columbus Day, but rather taught my students to investigate the horrors of Columbus ravaging the indigenous people who first walked this land. Hundreds of thousands of people in Cook County support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

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Thank you.

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Thank you.

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From: [Sara Wohlleb](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Ann-Louise Haak](#)
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Thank you.

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From: [Margarita Avalos](#)
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From: [Corey Winchester](#)
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As Gilder-Lehrman Institute of American History Illinois History Teacher of Year in 2020, this initiative is imperative in not only beginning to acknowledge the impact of our historical past, but how we can begin moving towards a path of healing.

Let's do this so that future generations avoid doing what former US Senator and CNN commentator Rick Santorum did in saying, "We birthed a nation from nothing. I mean, there was nothing here. I mean, yes we have Native Americans but candidly there isn't much Native American culture in American culture." These narratives are extremely damaging and contribute to continued oppression and marginalization.

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Thank you.
Corey Winchester

History Teacher

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Thank you.

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From: [Aviva Stein](#)
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Eileen Soderstrom
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From: [Chelsea Butters Wooding](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

I know you have received a number of emails from me about this topic already. However, this movement means far too much to me to give up, particularly since this might be our last opportunity for such a significant change. Hundreds of thousands of people who you represent in Cook County support Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565) and a reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Board Meetings (File #21-0597) for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves. Over 120 organizations have signed on thus far (see updated list as of May 3rd, <https://bit.ly/IPD4IL5321>).

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Thank you for your consideration and understanding.

Chelsea Butters Wooding
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4205 N Bernard St.
Chicago, Illinois 60618

From: [Amy Schumacher](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Amy Schumacher
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Evanston, Illinois 60201

From: [Catherine Rose](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Catherine Rose
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From: [Havalah Teaman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Havalah Teaman
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From: [Kathryn Baruja](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Kathryn Baruja
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Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011

From: [Kryss Chupp](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Kryss Chupp
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Chicago, Illinois 60608

From: [Eleanor Walsh](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Eleanor Walsh
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Glenview, Illinois 60025

From: [Tara Michelle Cullen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

It's time to make this change! Let's acknowledge and celebrate our region's Indigenous heritage and find new ways to celebrate some of our neighbors' Italian ancestry. My kids have learned about the harm caused by Columbus and wonder why we have a holiday named after him. It's time for us adults to abolish this racist myth for the benefit of future generations.

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Thank you.

Tara Michelle Cullen
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From: [Ruth Wezeman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Ruth Wezeman
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Chicago , Illinois 60640

From: [Nic Halverson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Nic Halverson
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Chicago, Illinois 60641

From: [Julie Nesbitt](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Julie Nesbitt
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From: [Miriam Scott](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Miriam Scott
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899 S Plymouth Court
Chicago, Illinois 60605

From: [Sarah Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sarah Dennis
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From: [Tammie Vinson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Tammie Vinson
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5360 W Washington blvd
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From: [Liz Dyrst](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Angela Washelesky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Angela Washelesky
amwpersonal@gmail.com
5521n Sawyer, unit 1
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From: [Brian Carson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Brian Carson
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From: [Sadia Nawab](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Sadia Nawab
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From: [McKenzie Fitzpatrick](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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McKenzie Fitzpatrick
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From: [Mary Zangs](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Mary Zangs
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From: [Geoffrey Broussard](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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From: [Anna Grant-Bolton](#)
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Cook County Board,

It is time to stop celebrating Columbus, a symbol of oppression & violence towards indigenous people in the United States. Be on the right side of history and support indigenous people's day in Illinois.

Thank you.

Anna Grant-Bolton
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1415 Dewey Ave
Evanston, Illinois 60201

From: [Cassandra OKeefe](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Board,

This move is long overdue and the least you can do to stop the whitewashing narrative of genocide.

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Thank you.

Cassandra OKeefe
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From: [Anne Ellis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Anne Ellis
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4418 N Christiana Ave
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From: [Ankur Singh](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Ankur Singh
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5146 W. Cermak Rd., Apt 3F
Cicero, Illinois 60804

From: [Kehinde Ajasa](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Kehinde Ajasa
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From: [Meena Sharma](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Meena Sharma
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From: [Michael Aubry](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Michael Aubry
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From: [Robert Gottlieb](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Robert Gottlieb
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From: [Rebecca Severson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Rebecca Severson
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2127 Washington Street
Evanston, Illinois 60202

From: [Betsy Rubin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Board,

Yes, below is a form letter, but I'm adding my own personal note here: Making Indigenous Peoples' Day a holiday is one step toward acknowledging some of the atrocities our nation was founded on. It is one step toward recognizing the indigenous people who were here before the Europeans and who are still here today!

This move is NOT anti-Italian. Cook County can find other ways to honor Italians such as Galileo, Michelangelo, or Montessori. We can also honor Italian-American heritage in general. But let's not honor a person whose legacy includes genocide and slavery.

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Thank you.

Betsy Rubin

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From: [Sarah Shirey](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Sarah Shirey
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From: [Kelly Maginot](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you.

Kelly Maginot
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130 S Harvey Ave
Oak Park, Illinois 60302

From: [Roohi Younus](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

Roohi Younus
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From: m.p.nelsen17@gmail.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

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4327 N Ridgeway Ave
60618, Illinois 60618

From: [Dolores Nobles-Knight](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Thank you.

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Flossmoor, Illinois 60422

From: [Azra Haque](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Azra Haque
azra.haque@hotmail.com
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Oakbrook , Illinois 60523

From: [Michael Schnabel](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Michael Schnabel
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2422 W Cullom Ave
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From: [Mary Ramirez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Mary Ramirez
janeeyre59@yahoo.com
2126 W Berwyn Ave
Chicago, Illinois 60625

From: [Andrea Fouste](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Vote YES For File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Andrea Fouste
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**EMAILS IN SUPPORT OF 21-0565 (INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY) AND
21-0597 (LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT) ADITONAL APRIL EMAILS**

	NAME	ORGANIZATION/CITY	EMAIL DATE
1	Margie Fritz-Birch	Concerned Citizen	4/28/2021
2	Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth	Chicago	4/20/2021
3	Nuria Sheehan	Chicago	4/19/2021
4	Stephanie Crean	New Orleans, Louisiana	4/15/2020
5	Katie Knox	Park Ridge	4/15/2020
6	Jennifer Prokuski	Chicago	4/15/2021
7	Elaine Bachman	Chicago	4/27/2021
8	Renee Patten	Concerned Citizen	4/27/2021
9	April Whitworth	Concerned Citizen	4/28/2021

From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [District 10](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [stanleymoore2@cookcountyil.gov](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [lsuffredin@aol.com](#); [sean.morrison@cookcountyil.gov](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous People's Day
Date: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 11:37:40 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

Please take time to read this to understand that Indigenous People's Day is so important to the Native American Community just as Juneteenth is to the African American Community.

Thank you
Margie Fritz-Birch

<https://truthout.org/articles/californias-indigenous-history-is-a-story-of-genocide-and-resistance/>

From: [Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 10:04:48 AM

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Sincerely,

Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth
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5333 N Clark St
Chicago, Illinois 60640

From: [Nuria Sheehan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Sincerely,

Nuria Sheehan
nuria.sheehan@gmail.com
5250 N Kenmore Ave, Apt 2
Chicago, Illinois 60640

From: stephanie.crean@yahoo.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Sincerely,

stephanie.crean@yahoo.com
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New Orleans, Louisiana 70124

From: [Katie Knox](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Sincerely,

Katie Knox
kathryn.rodriques@gmail.com
1217 W Talcott Rd
Park Ridge, Illinois 60068

From: [Jennifer Prokuski](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Jennifer Prokuski
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4856 W Ainslie Street
Chicago, Illinois 60630

From: [Elaine Bachman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Sincerely,

Elaine Bachman
elaine.reva@gmail.com
7515 N Winchester Ave Apt 3w, apt. 1W
CHICAGO, Illinois 60626

From: [Renee Patten](#)
To: [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: [Thomas Vaughan \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com;
[Sustain Edgewater Intern](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT FOR #21-0597 and #21-0565
Date: Tuesday, April 27, 2021 10:34:14 PM
Attachments: [image005.png](#)
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Hi there,

Just popping in your inbox to remind you that I support #21-0597 and #21-0565 and the Edgewater Environmental Coalition with hundreds of members has also signed on in support.

Please join us in the support for the original stewards and ongoing caretakers & advocates for our water, air, and land.

Thank you,
Renee

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Renee Patten, PMP

| (o) [773-754-3036](tel:773-754-3036) | (c) [269-830-0798](tel:269-830-0798)

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On Tue, Mar 30, 2021 at 1:44 PM Renee Patten <patten.renee@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi,

Thank you for the reply and your thoughts. My community organization, the Edgewater Environment Coalition, also have had thoughtful and detailed discussions on the resolution and voted in unanimous support on a resolution to join the campaign in support. I hope you

will do the same to represent your constituency in Edgewater.

Thank you for your continued consideration.

Best,
Renee

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On Wed, Mar 24, 2021 at 12:51 PM Bridget Degnen (Board of Commissioners)

<Bridget.Degnen@cookcountyil.gov> wrote:

Hello Renee,

Thank you for reaching out to me in connection with the proposed change to the Cook County calendar removing Columbus Day and incorporating Indigenous Peoples' Day. I have had many thoughtful conversations with advocates from the American Indian Center of Chicago, the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans and with many constituents expressing strong opinions on this topic.

Like many other communities, we maintain a deep respect for our country while acknowledging the violence and injustice that is often a byproduct of the creation of a new land. For many immigrants, our Country is a vision of opportunity. As a daughter of Irish immigrants, I appreciate the desire to celebrate cultural heritage and reflect on the hardships and successes that accompany cultural legacy. We also recognize that the opportunities we enjoy today came at great expense for indigenous populations, and Columbus Day celebrations can be a painful reminder to this population. This proposed resolution allows our County to begin an important conversation regarding the way we observe and celebrate our history. I look forward to continuing these conversations with the sponsor of this resolution and with my constituency, and am dedicated to working towards a future that reflects our Cook County District 12 in a current, representative and meaningful way. Thank you for your civic engagement. If you have questions or concerns on any additional County related matter, I hope you'll continue to reach out.

Yours,

Hon. Bridget Degnen

Cook County Commissioner – District 12

118 N. Clark – 5th Floor

Chicago, Illinois 60602

(O) 312-603-6380

(C) 773-505-5216



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From: Renee Patten <patten.renee@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:20 AM
Subject: SUPPORT FOR #21-0597 and #21-0565

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Dear Cook County Commissioners and Board Secretary,

As a Cook County resident, I strongly support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (#21-0565) and the Land Acknowledgement Resolution (#21-0597).

The Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition continues to GROW to over [100 supporting Organizations](#) (pg 2) and is expanding to the entire state. [HB 3982](#) will change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day for all of Illinois (as 14 other states have already done) and will be assigned to a Committee soon!

The initiative to celebrate an Indigenous Peoples' Day began in 1977 at the NGO Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas, in Geneva, Switzerland. There were delegates representing indigenous peoples from: Argentina, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, the United States, and Venezuela. The USA Native participants were from these Nations: Iroquois (Haudenosaunee), Lakota, Hopi, Hotevilla, Muscogee, Lakota, Southern Cheyenne, Ojibwa, Anishinabe-Ojibwe, Taino, Sioux, Northern Cheyenne, and Hunkpapa, Onondaga, and Cree ([source](#)). The Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois honors all those

who have been organizing and campaigning for this change for DECADES!

As you did with Juneteenth, I eagerly await the Cook County Board to do the right and just thing to acknowledge that white supremacy has to end. The way holidays are named, statues/monuments are selected/installed/removed, and streets/schools/parks/etc. are named sends critical messages about who is valued, respected, and honored. I'm looking forward to the day when Cook County begins celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day!

With gratitude,

Renee

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From: [April Whitworth](#)
To: [District 10; CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\); ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: vote YES on File# 21-0565
Date: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 10:40:38 AM

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Dear Commissioner Gainer,

I am a constituent of yours, and I request that you vote YES on File# 21-0565 (to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day) AND File#21-0597 (to read a Land Acknowledgment at Cook County Board Meetings) for Cook County AND the Cook County Forest Preserves! There are MILLIONS of people in Cook County who want this (the current list of supporters is found here: bit.ly/IPD4CookCounty426)

April Whitworth

**EMAILS IN SUPPORT OF 21-0565 (INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY) AND
21-0597 (LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT) RECEIVED AFTER 5:00 PM 4/14/2021**

	NAME	ORGANIZATION/CITY	EMAIL DATE
1	JeeYeun Lee	Chicago	4/14/2021
2	Steve Schwartzberg	Concerned Citizen	4/14/2021
3	Natasha Spencer	Concerned Citizen	4/14/2021
4	Amy Catania	Chicago	4/14/2021
5	Brian Solem	Concerned Citizen	4/15/2021
6	Jerry Boyle	Chicago	4/15/2021
7	Nikoletta Antonakos	Concerned Citizen	4/15/2021

From: [JeeYeun Lee](#)
Cc: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: YES on Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565)
Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021 9:00:49 AM

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Sincerely,

JeeYeun Lee

4711 N. Lawndale, Chicago IL

From: [Steven Schwartzberg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sincerely,

Natasha Spencer
spencernatasha@hotmail.com
6730 S. South Shore Dr. #803
Chicago, Illinois 60649

From: [Amy Catania](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please Support File #21-0565 + File #21-0597!
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Amy Catania
amyicatania@gmail.com
1708 N Francisco Ave
Chicago, Illinois 60647

From: [Brian J. Solem](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Brian Solem

From: [Jerry Boyle](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sincerely,

Jerry Boyle
logansolsun@gmail.com
3654 West George Street
Chicago, Illinois 60618

From: [Niki Antonakos](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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	NAME	ORGANIZATION/CITY	EMAIL DATE
1	Kathleen Boyle	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
2	Michael Aubry	Chicago	4/12/2021
3	Robert Remer	Chicago	4/12/2021
4	Jeannie Tomoda Harrell	Chicago	4/12/2021
5	Sara Slawnik	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
6	Rachel Pate	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
7	Tracy O'Dowd	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
8	Devika Ranjan	Albany Park Theater Project	4/12/2021
9	Mearah Quinn-Brauner	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
10	Therese Quinn	UIC	4/12/2021
11	Charity H	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
12	Bonnie Richardson	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
13	Renuka Sharma	Chicago Citywide Literacy Coalition	4/12/2021
14	Sean Kase	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
15	Rebecca Severson	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
16	Jennifer Jones	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
17	Jennifer Ciok	Mount Prospect	4/12/2021
18	Florian Palucci	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
19	Emily Serdahl	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
20	Maureen Keane	She Votes Illinois	4/12/2021
21	Leon J. Evans	McKensie Mack Group	4/12/2021
22	Abby Greaney	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
23	Dave Peterson	Concerned Citizen	4/12/2021
24	Dan Roller	Acris Project	4/12/2021
25	Marjorie Fritz-Birch	Concerned Citizen	4/13/2021
26	Amy Bennett	Waukegan	4/13/2021
27	Nickolas Kaplan	Chicago	4/13/2021
28	Amy Meyer	Rolling Meadows	4/13/2021
29	Harry Ward	Chicago	4/13/2021
30	Cindy Fey	Concerned Citizen	4/13/2021
31	Elizabeth Price	Chicago	4/13/2021
32	Elizabeth Topel	Chicago	4/13/2021
33	Jeanine Otte	Chicago	4/13/2021
34	Amy Smith	Chicago	4/13/2021
35	Laura Foutch	North Aurora	4/13/2021
36	Christy Storto	Chicago	4/13/2021
37	Heather Bockstruck	Chicago	4/13/2021
38	Kate Kuempel	Chicago	4/13/2021
39	Melissa Ponce	Skokie	4/13/2021
40	Sarah Dennis	Chicago	4/13/2021
41	Grace Barter	Chicago	4/13/2021
42	Brenna O'Brien	Concerned Citizen	4/13/2021
43	Colt Borg	Concerned Citizen	4/13/2021
44	Mariah Karson	mariahkarson.com	4/13/2021

45	Erin Sindewald	Chicago	4/13/2021
46	Rodger Field	Concerned Citizen	4/13/2021
47	Colin Higgins	Chicago	4/13/2021
48	Laura Singer	Chicago	4/13/2021
49	Gloria Avalos	Chicago	4/13/2021
50	Megan McCormick	Chicago	4/14/2021
51	Nicholas DeVries	Chicago	4/14/2021
52	Lisa Bernal	Concerned Citizen	4/14/2021
53	shkaspar@yahoo.com	Chicago	4/14/2021
54	Patti Vasquez	Chicago	4/14/2021
55	Maureen Murphy	Chicago	4/14/2021
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To: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Kathleen Boyle

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Sincerely,

Michael Aubry
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From: [Bob Remer](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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I hope you will give this your full attention.

Sincerely,

Robert Remer
Edgewater

From: [Jeannie Tomoda Harrell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

Jeannie Tomoda Harrell

Uptown, Chicago IL

From: [Sara Slawnik](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

Sara Slawnik

From: [Rachel Pate](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Rachel Pate

From: [Tracy O'Dowd](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Tracy O'Dowd

From: [Devika Ranjan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Sincerely,

Devika

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Devika Ranjan
Resident Director
Albany Park Theater Project

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From: [Mearah Quinn-Brauner](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Therese Quinn

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to revolt. [Louise Michel / 1830-1905 / Mémoires / 1886]

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From: [Bonnie Richardson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Sincerely,

Bonnie Richardson, LCSW

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From: [Renuka Sharma](#)
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Sincerely, Rebecca Severson

From: [Jennifer Jones](#)
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As a new member of the school board in my community, I am grateful that the current board has already made this change from Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (like so many other schools around us), and I hope to continue this work of understand the past to better inform the present in my upcoming term.

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Jennifer Ciok

Mount Prospect Resident

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Sincerely,

Florian Palucci

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Emily

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Thank you for your consideration.

Maureen Keane (she/her/hers)

Co-founder, [She Votes Illinois](#)

From: [McKensie Mack Group](#)
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All the best,

Leon

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On a personal note - I participated my whole childhood in Columbus Day plays, etc. and didn't learn about the real history at all until I was an adult. I want to make sure that kids start to learn about real history - I love Illinois and Cook County kids and they deserve it!

Sincerely,

Dave Peterson

From: [Dan Roller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [lsuffredin@cookcountytill.gov](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [almo.anaya@cookcountytill.gov](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [bridget.gainer@aon.com](#)
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True Native history is erased and never taught. This must be rectified. Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day is an important way to acknowledge the devastating harm that Columbus and his men caused. They sailed for Spain and landed in what is now the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, and Haiti. This led to genocide and colonization in Central, South and all of North America despite the fact that Columbus never discovered North America.

For information on the negative impact of Columbus Day on Native youth all over the country and in Chicago, please see the attached. We have an incredible amount of support and hope you will support IPD as well.

Sincerely,
Marjorie Fritz-Birch

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Something you might want to consider
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Thank you,
Marjorie Fritz-Birch
An IPD Supporter

<https://www.choctawnation.com/history-culture/history/choctaw-and-ireland-history>

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Sincerely,

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From: [Amy Meyer](#)
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Amy Meyer

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Sincerely,
Cindy Fey

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Brenna O'Brien, PhD

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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

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Author, [AMERICAN LEGION](#)

From: [Erin Sindewald](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

Erin Sindewald

3112 S May St, Chicago, IL 60608

From: [Rodger Field](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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From: [Colin Higgins](#)
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Sincerely,

Colin Higgins

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From: [Laura Singer](#)
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Sincerely,

Laura Singer
lts72@aol.com
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Chicago, Illinois 60641

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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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From: [Megan McCormick](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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I urge you to vote YES on Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) & the reading of a land acknowledgement at Cook County Board & Cook County Forest Preserve Board Meetings (File #21-0597).

As a young student in the western suburbs of Chicago, I was told lies and falsehoods about Native populations in Illinois. Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is a step in the right direction, and highlights the long-lasting impacts of genocide and colonization on Central, South and all of North America.

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Sincerely,
Megan M.

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2205 W Rice St. 2W
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From: [Nicholas DeVries](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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There has always been a Native community in Chicago since before the city was recognized. We ask that you be the change to recognize your Indigenous population here.

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Sincerely,

Lisa Bernal

Enrolled Tribal citizen of Sisseton Wahpeton Nation of South Dakota

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Sincerely,

shkaspar@yahoo.com
1915 W. Montrose Ave.
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From: [Patti Vasquez](#)
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Sincerely, Patti Vasquez

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From: [Shaina Wright](#)
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Shaina Wright
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Chicago, Illinois 60640-5273

From: [Katie Rocchio](#)
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Katie Rocchio
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From: [Ruth Wezeman](#)
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From: [Sydney Grant](#)
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Sincerely,

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From: [Leah Konops](#)
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5653 N Ridge Ave. #3E
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From: [Adrienne Pollitz](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sincerely,

Adrienne Pollitz
adie95@hotmail.com
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From: [Caitlin Guerra](#)
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Sincerely,
Caitlin Guerra

Caitlin Guerra
guercait@gmail.com
7502 N Hoyne Ave

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From: dom.marlow1@gmail.com
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Sincerely,

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6041 N Kenmore Ave, Apt 7
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From: [Sarah Peace](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

Sarah Peace

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Sarah Peace (she/her)

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From: [Alicia Rynkowska](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Jessica Escutia](#)
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Sincerely,

Joanna Nichols

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From: [Robin Schmidt](#)
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Sincerely,

Robin Schmidt
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3177 Bennett pl.
Aurora, Illinois 60502

From: [Peter Barash](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

machunask@gmail.com
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From: [Meera Sotor](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Sincerely,

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4212 N Hamlin Ave
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From: [Angelica Iuberda](#)
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CHICAGO, Illinois 606253722

From: [Megan Brand](#)
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Sincerely,

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1350 W Elmdale Ave Unit 1
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Sincerely,

margomgislain@gmail.com
5820 N Kenmore Ave, Apt 605
Chicago, Illinois 60660

From: [Cathy King](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,

Catherine King

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Chicago 60659

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CHICAGO, Illinois 60630-2318

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Truth and Reconciliation. Please.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Supriya K](#)
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From: [Liliana Schiller](#)
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Sincerely,
Liliana

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1	Colt Borg	Concerned Citizen	3/17/2021
2	Samantha Pellegrino	Concerned Citizen	3/15/2021
3	Syda Sergovia Taylor	OraganicOneness	3/15/2021
4	Maria L. Winnick	Concerned Citizen	3/15/2021
5	Honorable Barbara Hernandez	State Represetative 83rd District	3/15/2021
6	Andres S. Carlson	Concerned Citizen	3/15/2021
7	Marjorie Fritz Birch	Concerned Citizen	3/15/2021
8	Mary Monastyrsky	Concerned Citizen	3/15/2021
9	Leon J. Evans	McKensie Mack Group	3/14/2021
10	Cathy King	Chicago	3/14/2021
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12	Keri Cavanaugh	Chicago	3/14/2021
13	Ann Kapustiak	Tulane University	3/14/2021
14	Matt Priest	Mount Prospect	3/14/2021
15	Erin Eife	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
16	Sean Kase	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
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19	Scott Ramsayer	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
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22	Emily Balsamo	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
23	Matt Priest	Mount Prospect	3/13/2021
24	Ann Kapustiak	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
25	Gloria Avalos	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
26	Aisha Noble	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
27	Denise Rondine	Concerned Citizen	3/13/2021
28	Marie L. Winnick	MLWLanguage	2/25/2021
29	Ryan O'Donnell	Chicago	2/25/2021
30	Sarah Dennis	University of Illinois Chicago	2/25/2021
31	Charles Klepac	Concerned Citizen	2/24/2021
32	Claire R. McCarthy	Concerned Citizen	2/24/2021
33	David Selsky	Concerned Citizen	2/24/2021
34	Killian Walsh	Concerned Citizen	2/24/2021
35	Tracy O'Dowd	Concerned Citizen	2/24/2021
36	Anne K. Knafl, Ph.D.	University of Chicago Library	2/23/2021
37	Jay Sherby	Concerned Citizen	2/23/2021
38	Yakov Pekar	Concerned Citizen	2/23/2021
39	Chelsea Butters Wooding	Concerned Citizen	2/22/2021
40	Dave Peterson	Concerned Citizen	2/22/2021
41	Kelly Brask	Concerned Citizen	2/22/2021
42	Marcela Bernal	Concerned Citizen	2/22/2021
43	Colt Berg	Concerned Citizen	2/21/2021
44	Dejan Bajic	Concerned Citizen	2/21/2021
45	Imran Ali	Concerned Citizen	2/21/2021
46	Lavender Rodriguez	Concerned Citizen	2/21/2021
47	Tim Lacy	Concerned Citizen	2/21/2021
48	Paul Marcinkowski	Concerned Citizen	2/20/2021

49	Paul Perez	Concerned Citizen	2/20/2021
50	Dann McKeegan	Concerned Citizen	2/19/2021
51	Joy Messinger	Concerned Citizen	2/19/2021
52	Keri Cavanaugh	Concerned Citizen	2/19/2021
53	Kym Hughes	Concerned Citizen	2/19/2021
54	Rose Miron	Concerned Citizen	2/19/2021
55	Angelica Saucedo	The Learning Center	2/18/2021
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59	Marie O'Brien	Concerned Citizen	2/18/2021
60	Mayumi Tiburzi	Concerned Citizen	2/18/2021
61	McKensie Mack Group	McKensie Mack Group	2/18/2021
62	Molly Greening	Loyola University Chicago	2/18/2021
63	Rachel Elizabeth Maley	Concerned Citizen	2/18/2021
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66	Angela Washelesky	Culhane Meadows PLLC	2/17/2021
67	Beth Yahne	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
68	Bonnie Richardson	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
69	Brenna O'Brien, PhD	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
70	Cassie Creswell	Chicago	2/17/2021
71	David Feiner	Chicago	2/17/2021
72	Devika Ranjan	Albany Park Theater Project	2/17/2021
73	Diana Clegg	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
74	Eliza Bangert	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
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82	Joanne Otte	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
83	Judy Karlov	Chicago	2/17/2021
84	Kate Hannigan	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
85	Katherine Shonk	Evanston	2/17/2021
86	Kelly Quesada	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
87	Keyla Ferraro	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
88	Kristin Oberdorf	Chicago	2/17/2021
89	Leigh Kelsey	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
90	Leslie Beller	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
91	Leticia Gutierrez	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
92	Lisa May Simpson	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
93	Matt Priest	Mount Prospect	2/17/2021
94	Natalie Gillespie	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
95	Rebecca Severson	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
96	Rodger Field	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
97	Ruth Goring	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021

98	Sakirat Kuti	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
99	Sarah Weiner	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
100	Sean Kase	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
101	Sophie Cohen	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
102	Stephanie Landry	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
103	Steve Dennis	Concerned Citizen	2/17/2021
104	Tracy Baldwin	Chicago	2/17/2021
105	Steve Serikaku	Concerned Citizen	2/16/2021
106	Yakov Pekar	Concerned Citizen	1/28/2021
107	Monica Rickert-Bolter	Concerned Citizen/Chicago	1/28/2021
108	Honorable Maria Hadden	Alderman, 49th ward/Chicago	1/27/2021
109	Charlie Maiorca Klepac	Concerned Citizen	1/27/2021
110	Honorable Will Guzzardi	Representative, 39th district/Chica	1/27/2021
111	Beto de Freitas	ICAF Chicago/Chicago	1/27/2021
112	Charles Klepac	Concerned Citizen	1/27/2021
113	Florian Palucci	Concerned Citizen	1/27/2021
114	Maria Starck	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
115	Sarah Dennis	Indigenous Peoples' Day/Chicago	1/26/2021
116	Carrol Smith	Oak Park	1/26/2021
117	Vanessa Padecky	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
118	Lavendar Rodriguez	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
119	Abby Greaney	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
120	Ron Baiman	Oak Park	1/26/2021
121	JeeYeun Lee	Chicago	1/26/2021
122	Les Begay	Wireless Solutions	1/26/2021
123	Marjorie Fritz-Birch	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
124	Taylor Fenderbosch	Concerned Citizen	1/26/2021
125	Betsy Merbitz	Chicago National Lawyers Guild	1/26/2021
126	Sierra Coyne	University of Illinois	1/25/2021
127	Huu Nguyen	Concerned Citizen	1/25/2021
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147	Sophie Cohen	Concerned Citizen	1/24/2021
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158	Naomi Goldstein	Concerned Citizen	1/24/2021
159	Name not provided	Concerned Citizen	1/24/2021
160	Cathy King	Chicago	1/24/2021
161	Karen Torres	Chicago	1/24/2021
162	Grace Barter	Concerned Citizen	1/24/2021
163	Nicole Martino	Concerned Citizen	1/13/2021
164	Erikka Cochran	Chicago	12/17/2020
165	Honorable Will Guzzardi	State Representative 39th District	12/17/2020
166	Honorable Maria Hadden	Alderman 49th Ward	12/17/2020
167	Jeannie Tomoda Harrell	Chicago	12/17/2020
168	Florian Palucci	Chicago	12/16/2020
169	Rachel Lyons	Chicago	12/16/2020
170	Matt Priest	Mount Prospect	12/16/2020
171	Chelsea Wooding, Ph.D., CMPC	North Park University	12/16/2020
172	Laurel Chen	Chicago	12/16/2020
173	Catherine Lockerd	Chicago	12/16/2020
174	Beth Yahne	Chicago	12/16/2020
175	Caren Estrich	Chicago	12/16/2020
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178	Christian D. Perry	Black Millennial Renaissance	12/16/2020
179	Colin Higgins	Chicago	12/16/2020
180	Kathy Buckley	Chicago	12/16/2020
181	Kelly Quillin	Chicago	12/16/2020
182	Aaron Golding	Seneca Nation, Beaver Clan	12/16/2020
183	Sarah E. Dennis, Ph.D.	University of Illinois Chicago	12/16/2020
184	Jennifer Ciok	Concerned Citizen	12/16/2020
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186	Steve Dennis	Chicago	12/16/2020
187	Scott Ramsayer	Chicago	12/16/2020
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191	Charles Kelpac	Chicago	12/16/2020
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193	Aiko Kojima Hibino	Chicago	12/6/2020
194	Rodger Field	Chicago	12/6/2020
195	Laura Fairbank	Chicago	11/22/2020

196	Adam Claypool	Chicago	11/21/2020
197	Leon J. Evans	Chicago	11/19/2020
198	Rev. Alicia Reese	Trinity Evangelical Covenant Chu	11/19/2020
199	Eleanor Ray	Chicago	11/19/2020
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206	Sal Campbell	Chicago	11/19/2020
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208	Tracy O'Dowd	Chicago	11/19/2020
209	Carmen Garcia	Chicago	11/19/2020
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213	Tim Baffoe	Chicago	11/18/2020
214	Elaine Waxman	Chicago	11/18/2020
215	Ken Buckley	Chicago	11/18/2020
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218	Jessica Olson	Logan Square Solidarity Sundays	11/18/2020
219	Gloria Avalos	Chicago	11/18/2020
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221	Catherine King	Chicago	11/18/2020
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223	Marjorie Fritz-Birch	Chicago	11/18/2020
224	Les Begay	American Indian Center of Chicag	11/18/2020
225	Gabriel Piemonte	Italian American Heritage Society	11/18/2020
226	Steve Dennis	Chicago	11/18/2020
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228	Cassie Creswell	Chicago	11/18/2020
229	Professor Doug Keil	Northwestern University	11/18/2020
230	Cynthia Soto	UIC'S Native American Support P	11/18/2020
231	Rev. Jonathan Brooks	Caanan Community Church	11/18/2020
232	Carol Muskin	Chicago	11/18/2020
233	Grace Barter	Chicago	11/18/2020
234	Briana Payton	Chicago Community Bond Fund	11/18/2020
235	Dan Roller	Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition	11/18/2020
236	Margaret Hagerman	Flosmoor	11/18/2020
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248	William Beaulieu	Oak Lawn	11/18/2020
249	Sophie Lipman	Community Arts Organizer	11/18/2020
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253	Grace Barter	Chicago	11/18/2020
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Subject: #21-0565 & #210597
To: Sarah Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>



Syda Taylor, Founder, Executive Director
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André Segovia, Chief Executive Officer
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Black Parent Initiative

Carl Hurdlik, Manager for Community Action Councils
Chicago Public Schools

Dr. Franklin Cosey-Gay,
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Kari Carlson,
Communications Manager

March 16, 2021

Dear Cook County Commissioners,

I hope this letter finds you all well during this crucial time in history. As a Cook County resident and executive director of Organic Oneness, I strongly support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (#21-0565) and the Land Acknowledgement Resolution (#21-0597).

From actively investigating the history of our country and understanding the distorted truths taught to me in my younger years, I began to find my sense of worth as a human being. I received my M.A. in Community Development and Social Justice and learned about the unjust policies and tortuous acts communities of color have endured in the building of this country. A major part of my relearning was the horrific story of Christopher Columbus. I grew up admiring him and treasured every Columbus Day, as many people have, but uncovering the story of him hunting Tainos; raping women and young girls, castrating boys, and killing men leading to the death of over 250,000 Tainos made me question all of our history and the

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-Baha'i Writings

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statues we have in our city and country. It made me ask the question, "What do we stand for as a nation?"

If we want to change the trajectory of how we are functioning as a society then we need to stand for truth and justice if we want peace and unity. It might be hard for some to face the truth and change but this is where the rest of us need to continue working together for the greater good. Our children are watching our actions and our future depends on us correcting our wrongs. We will not heal or advance if we continue to dehumanize each other.

There is a dire need and urgency for us to understand that we are one human family. We are witnessing the danger of believing we are not interconnected. I hope with all my heart you will stand for changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (#21-0565) and the Land Acknowledgement Resolution (#21-0597). Also when we look back on history I hope we will all be able to say we chose the path of truth, justice and healing for all people.

Thank you for your time and support on this significant matter.

With gratitude,



Syda S. Taylor
Founder/Executive Director, Organic Oneness

Organic Oneness is a grassroots, social justice organization that co-creates with communities to mobilize systemic change, healing, and wellness, foregrounding Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC).





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To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>, <Dennis.Deer@cookcountyil.gov>, <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>, <stanley.moore2@cookcountyil.gov>, <deborah.sims@cookcountyil.gov>, <donna.miller@cookcountyil.gov>, <luis.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>, <cookcty9@aol.com>, <district10@cookcountyil.gov>, <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>, <lsuffredin@aol.com>, <sean.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <brandon.johnson@cookcountyil.gov>, <alma.anaya@cookcountyil.gov>, <kevin.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <Scott.Britton@cookcountyil.gov>, <frank.aguilar@cookcountyil.gov>, <bridget.deggen@cookcountyil.gov>, Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am a Cook County resident, also a second-generation American by way of Sicily, and I am strongly in support of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and the reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597), both referred to committees at the Dec 2020 Board Meeting.

While I was growing up, Columbus was almost like a patron saint in my family, probably as much as Santa Lucia, San Giuseppe and Santa Agatha. We never even imagined what his voyages did to the ancestors of our fellow Native citizens, though. We just knew how the image of the warrior/sailor who allegedly had begun the laying of the foundation for America was a powerful source of hope for success in America for my grandparents due to the fact that he was Italian, and the fact that they were dirt poor and treated like garbage simply for being Italian immigrants. This is true for just about every American family with ancestors who came from Italy in the 20th century.

After my grandparents got us into the middle class through hard work and brains, in addition to some policies like the GI Bill that favored descendants of Europeans, Columbus's image gave us extra validation that we were meant to succeed all along. The problem with this is that the image of him that we were brought up with is nothing like his true story. His true story behind the myth goes far beyond the fact that our fellow Native citizens today are still feeling the catastrophic effects of what he did, and what the U.S. government later continued, but that's a topic for another conversation.

The main point of this letter is that Italians deserve a holiday for our heritage, but we can think of something much better to center it around than Christopher Columbus. Our holiday needs to come after the second Monday in October, not before it, and we need to celebrate Indigenous People's Day on that day instead with the 65,000 Native Americans who live in Chicago, who work in every trade and profession under the sun, many who have fought in the U.S. military, and who come from many of the 574 federally recognized tribes across our country.

Good citizenship requires listening carefully to our fellow citizens. They deserve this 100 percent.

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597. We will be watching Board meetings this week, and in future months, and we will remember how you vote on these when it comes time for your re-election.

Thank you very much!

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From: **Andrea Carlson** <Andrea@mikinaak.com>
Date: Wed, Feb 17, 2021 at 9:20 AM
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To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>, <Dennis.Deer@cookcountyil.gov>, <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>, <stanley.moore2@cookcountyil.gov>, <deborah.sims@cookcountyil.gov>, <donna.miller@cookcountyil.gov>, <luis.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>, <cookcty9@aol.com>, <district10@cookcountyil.gov>, <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>, <lsuffredin@aol.com>, <sean.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <brandon.johnson@cookcountyil.gov>, <alma.anaya@cookcountyil.gov>, <kevin.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <Scott.Britton@cookcountyil.gov>, <frank.aguilar@cookcountyil.gov>, <bridget.deggen@cookcountyil.gov>, <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am an Ojibwe woman and an artist who lives in Chicago's Loop. Columbus Day is a celebration of white supremacy and the genocide of fellow Indigenous people. I support, not only erasing this annual harm to my community through the celebration of that murderer, but to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565). Because the general population in Chicago can't tell you whose stolen land they occupy, I also support the heartfelt reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597).

Join me, a person who loves Indigenous people, in saying NO to ongoing Columbus triumphalism, saying NO to the continued erasure of Indigenous people's lives, and say YES to a celebration of Indigenous people's accomplishments, saying "We see you" to Italian-Americans who don't want to be forever associated with the death of Indigenous people.

Support #21-0565 and #21-0597 please!

Miigwech,
Andrea Carlson

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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Caitlin McElroy \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
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Just so they're all together, as this one was sent yesterday (below)...

We HOPE this is the order in which they'll be read:

- 1) Rep. Barbara Hernandez (below)
- 2) Organic Oneness - Syda Segovia-Taylor
- 3) Marie Winnick (Italian American supporter)
- 4) Andrea Carlson (Native American supporter)

THANK YOU!!

(We know you've received 22 additional, and can provide the names/e-mails and date/time stamp if that helps. We hope to still have some more coming in tomorrow.)

With gratitude,
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

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From: **Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois** <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
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To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board) <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>
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Greetings, Board Secretary!

We HOPE that this month a few of our letters/e-mails of support will be read aloud into the public record! This can be #1. We will resend some of the others (that were not read aloud in Feb), so you have them together, and early.

Could you please reply as to how the record will be rectified for Feb that you received 79 e-mails of support, which were not all included in the addendum, that we e-mailed the date/time/name/e-mail of them all that weren't included? Thank you!!!

With gratitude,
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

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From: **Hailey Edwards** <hailey.repbhernandez@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 15, 2021 at 2:16 PM

Subject: Re: Indigenous Peoples' Day for Illinois???

To: Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Cc: Rep. Barbara Hernandez <repbarbarahernandez@gmail.com>, Les Begay
<ipdcoalition@gmail.com>

Hi Sarah,

Attached is Rep. Hernandez's letter of support. Good luck at the board meeting, hopefully this helps!

All the best,
Hailey

On Sat, Mar 13, 2021 at 9:48 PM Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois
<ipd4cps@gmail.com> wrote:

Greetings!!

Could we possibly have the letter by Tuesday? Last month they didn't read ANY of ours into the public record...we're STILL not sure why not! But they DID attach SOME of them (though not all...so we're looking into that, too!)!!

We'd LOVE to have the letter from Rep. Barbara Hernandez this month...THANK YOU!!!

Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

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Barbara Hernandez
STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 83rd DISTRICT

March 15th, 2021

Cook County Board of Commissioners
118 N. Clark St. Suite 567
Chicago, IL 60602

To Whom It May Concern,

I, State Representative Barbara Hernandez, am writing to you in support of the proposal to formally change the name of the holiday currently titled "Columbus Day" and renaming it to "Indigenous Peoples' Day". I have supported this change in the Illinois legislature as a co-sponsor Rep. Ramirez's House Bill 5533, am formally encouraging Cook County to help lead the charge on enacting this change.

Columbus never set foot in the Americas at all, having sailed around between several islands in the Caribbean Sea instead. As such, American education too often describes Columbus as the beginning of American history, thereby ignoring the rich history of those that were here before. Moving away from the holiday named "Columbus Day" and instead transitioning to "Indigenous Peoples' Day" we can begin to highlight those that lived on these lands before us, and the changes they were forced to undergo as European settlers arrived.

It should be stated that this push to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is not anti-Italian, as there are many Italian-Americans that are deserving of better recognition for what they have been able to provide to this country.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Hernandez".

Barbara Hernandez
State Representative of the 83rd District

From: [Kat Gerdts](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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The initiative to celebrate an Indigenous Peoples' Day began in 1977 at the NGO Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas, in Geneva, Switzerland. There were delegates representing indigenous peoples from: Argentina, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, the United States, and Venezuela. The USA Native participants were from these Nations: Iroquois (Haudenosaunee), Lakota, Hopi, Hotevilla, Muscogee, Lakota, Southern Cheyenne, Ojibwa, Anishinabe-Ojibwe, Taino, Sioux, Northern Cheyenne, and Hunkpapa, Onondaga, and Cree.

The Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois honors all those who have been organizing and campaigning for this change for DECADES!

As you did with Juneteenth, I eagerly await the Cook County Board to do the right and just thing to acknowledge that white supremacy has to end. The way holidays are named, statues/monuments are selected/installed/removed, and streets/schools/parks/etc. are named sends critical messages about who is valued, respected, and honored. I'm looking forward to the day when Cook County begins celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day!

With gratitude,

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Kat Gerdtz

From: [Denise Rondini](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Denise

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From: [Emily Serdahl](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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To: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois](#)
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Grace Barter
911 W Carmen Ave
She/Hers

From: [Sean Kase](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [Dennis.Deer@cookcountytik.gov](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [bridget.degnen@cookcountytik.gov](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Isuffredin@cookcountytik.gov](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [sean.morrison@cookcountytik.gov](#); [stanleymoore2@cookcountytik.gov](#)
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We are in full support with your vote for Juneteenth and eagerly await for the Board to take the right step to end white supremacist history. Chicago is now undergoing monument

discussion

and this an incredibly opportune time to enact Indigenous Peoples Day!

Thank you,

Marjorie Fritz-Birch

From: [McKensie Mack Group](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Leon Evans

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Administrative Coordinator

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Pronouns: He|Him|His

Justice goes beyond diversity.

From: [Cathy King](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Sincerely,
Catherine King
6133 N Springfield
Chicago, IL 60659

From: [Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Caitlin McElroy \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Greetings, Board Secretary!

We HOPE that this month a few of our letters/e-mails of support will be read aloud into the public record! This can be #1. We will resend some of the others (that were not read aloud in Feb), so you have them together, and early.

Could you please reply as to how the record will be rectified for Feb that you received 79 e-mails of support, which were not all included in the addendum, that we e-mailed the date/time/name/e-mail of them all that weren't included? Thank you!!!

With gratitude,
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

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From: Hailey Edwards <hailey.repbhernandez@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Mar 15, 2021 at 2:16 PM
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To: Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Cc: Rep. Barbara Hernandez <repbarbarahernandez@gmail.com>, Les Begay <ipdcoalition@gmail.com>

Hi Sarah,

Attached is Rep. Hernandez's letter of support. Good luck at the board meeting, hopefully this helps!

All the best,
Hailey

On Sat, Mar 13, 2021 at 9:48 PM Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

<ipd4cps@gmail.com> wrote:

Greetings!!

Could we possibly have the letter by Tuesday? Last month they didn't read ANY of ours into the public record...we're STILL not sure why not! But they DID attach SOME of them (though not all...so we're looking into that, too!)!!

We'd LOVE to have the letter from Rep. Barbara Hernandez this month...THANK YOU!!!

Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

From: [Greening, Molly](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Land Acknowledgment and Indigenous Peoples' Day in Cook County
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To the Cook County Commissioners and Board Secretary,
My name is Molly Greening and I am a resident of Skokie, IL. It is time for Cook County to stop celebrating genocide and start honoring indigenous people, and changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is one small step in the right direction.
Thus I support File #21-0565 and the Land Acknowledgment Resolution File #21-0597 which were both recently referred to the Legislation Committee. I urge you to call your committee and address these items for your March agenda.
I know many people in the Skokie community who support these changes and would be interested in attending the public hearing. As an ethicist and a community organizer, I am happy to be a continued conversation partner regarding the importance of righting the historical atrocities of colonialism.
I appreciate your time and service,
Molly Greening
PhD Candidate, Integrative Studies in Ethics and Theology
Loyola University Chicago
mgreening@luc.edu
Pronouns: she/her/hers

From: [Keyla Ferraro](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,
Leticia Gutierrez

From: [David Feiner](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

As someone who has called Chicago home for more than 25 years, I feel compelled to stand in solidarity with the Indigenous people calling on Chicago and Cook County to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day.

Regardless of intent, Columbus Day is experienced by our Indigenous neighbors, friends, colleagues and fellow residents as a celebration of white supremacy and the genocide of Indigenous people. I support not only erasing this annual harm to the Indigenous community through the celebration of that murderer, but replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565). Because the general population in Chicago can't tell you whose stolen land they occupy, I also support the heartfelt reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597).

Join me, a person who cares about Indigenous people, in saying NO to ongoing Columbus triumphalism and to the continued erasure of Indigenous people's lives, and say YES to a celebration of Indigenous people's accomplishments, and "We see you" to Italian-Americans who don't want to be associated with the death of Indigenous people.

Support #21-0565 and #21-0597 please!

Sincerely,
David Feiner

From: [Devika Ranjan](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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To the Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am an immigrant and theater-maker, living in Chicago's Ravenswood neighborhood and working in Albany Park.

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Many thanks,

Devika

Devika Ranjan
Resident Director
Albany Park Theater Project

she/her/hers

From: [Tracy Baldwin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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This is an easy and practical step you can take to help heal the wounds of the past and recognize and honor our collective history, the land before it became "Cook County," and the people who lived here.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Tracy Baldwin

Chicago/Portage Park

From: [sakirat kuti](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [lpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,
(Sakirat Kuti)

From: [Heather Sweeney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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As you may know, the anniversary of the signing of the Dawes Act of 1887, when the U.S. Government stole the largest amount of Native land under the guise that it was "civilizing" Native people.

As a Cook County resident with a shared commitment to racial equity, I imagine we agree that it is time to right the wrongs of the past. Please support Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597.

This is an opportunity to codify and make a public statement about our values and beliefs as a community.

Thank you,

Heather Sweeney

From: [Rebecca Severson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Kristin Oberdorf](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Thank you,

Kristin Oberdorf
Chicago, IL 60618

From: [Katie Shonk](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,

Katherine Shonk
Evanston

From: [Andrea Carlson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Miigwech,
Andrea Carlson

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From: [Sean Kase](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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From: [Angela Washelesky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#)
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My address is 5521 N. Sawyer Ave, Unit 1, Chicago IL 60625.

Thank you,

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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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To: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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From: [Gloria Avalos](#)
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From: [Cassie Creswell](#)
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Thank you,

Cassie Creswell
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Thank you,
Grace

Grace Barter
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She/Hers

From: judy.karlov@gmail.com
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Thank you,

Judy Karlov

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County of Cook

From: [Brenna O](#)
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Thank you,

Brenna O'Brien, PhD

From: [Steve Serikaku](#)
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PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597. We owe so much to Native

Americans. Efforts at racial equity ring hollow when we do not honor their stewardship of this land.

From: [Yakov Pekar](#)
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I appreciate your thoughtful approach and personalized responses to me from some of you regarding this matter.

Fourteen states – Alabama, Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Vermont and Wisconsin – plus the District of Columbia and more than 130 cities observe Indigenous Peoples Day instead of or in addition to Columbus Day.

Cook County is known around the Midwest, the country, and the world for tolerance and inclusion. When people decide to move to Chicago to be more free than where they are coming from, they move to Cook County. Institution of Indigenous People's Day and acknowledgement of the history of the land where we live at Board meetings will send a clear message that:

- we know our history and history of this land
- we acknowledge the wrongs of the past and have learned from them in order to avoid

- repeating them in the future
- we are indeed all equal, inclusive, united, and ready to support and uplift one another and especially minority groups

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597.

Thank you,
Yakov Pekar

From: [Jay Sherby](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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All of Cook County and Cook County Forest Preserve lands were originally Native lands. The roughly 65,000 current Native residents of Cook County aren't asking for the return of their land, but they are asking for recognition, and deserve to be honored, just as you did recently for our Black residents on Juneteenth!

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597. The outcomes of these resolutions will be foremost on my mind during the next election season.

Thank you,
Jay Sherby

From: [Anne Knafi](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Thank you,

Anne (60609)

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Anne K. Knafl, Ph.D. (she/her)

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As an American with Italian heritage, I implore you to support resolution 21-0565 in changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

I urge you to remember some critical facts regarding Columbus and how this day serves not as a proud moment for Italian-Americans, but as a farce, a hoax, and a lie.

*Columbus himself was not named Christopher Columbus but Cristoforo Colombo. Even **his** Italian heritage is not honored on this false holiday, his name Anglicized like so many of our Italian-American ancestors. Furthermore, Columbus served not for Italy, but for the Kingdom of Spain.*

Keep in mind that Italy is a country filled with a variety of ethnicities and heritages that was not unified until 1861 into the nation we recognize today. In Columbus' time the country bore little to no semblance to where our ancestors emigrated from. This fact renders Columbus a frail picture for Italian nationalism, much less Italian-American nationalism.

Additionally, the notion that Columbus exists as an Italian-American/American hero is unfounded and false as the man did not set foot on modern-day U.S. soil but on the Caribbean islands known as the West Indies - a misnomer based on the false understanding that Columbus had arrived in India.

The truth is that Columbus Day serves as a dismal reminder of the horrors of colonization and violent European expansion into the Western Hemisphere. Columbus and his army consisting primarily of mercenaries, pirates, and criminals brutalized the peoples of the Caribbean and made way for the genocide of the Indigenous peoples of North America and the Atlantic slave trade.

*We as Italian-Americans are supposed to honor a man, who worked for a Spanish Kingdom, whose heritage was rooted in a disjunct Italian nation hundreds of years away from ethno-unification, who never stepped foot on North American soil, **and** who sowed the seeds for genocide and slavery? Commissioners, it simply does not make sense.*

Even our Italian ancestors were discriminated against and shunned when we arrived in strong numbers. The Anglo-centric majority of America could not even accept my Sicilian grandfather, Salvatore Alfonso, who had to take the Anglo name Sam to be respected, accepted, and successful.

Much harsher than our European ancestor's discrimination, was the discrimination and genocide of the Native Americans who lived on this land for centuries. This Euro-centric nation has white-washed America's indigenous populations' history. We (historically as a nation) have forced Indigenous peoples to take names that are not their own, we have forced them to practice religions and observe holidays that do not reflect their culture, and we have failed to honor Native Americans (North, South, and Central Americans) in any way that credits their magnificent cultures and heritages.

An approval of resolution 21-0565 is a start in the right direction to respect the Indigenous population.

Thank you,

Charles

From: [Tracy O'Dowd](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Tracy O'Dowd

Public Comment to Cook County Board of Commissioners

Indigenous People's Day

Ryan O'Donnell

24 September 2020

It Matters

Firstly, I would like to thank the board for giving us your attention today and for recognizing the support of the diverse people of Cook County to recognize Indigenous People's Day and end Columbus Day.

As you've hopefully learned by now, Columbus was not someone worth celebrating. Columbus was a monster. And what can be said for societies that glorify monsters and name holidays after them? What can be said for civilizations that cover up the crimes of the monstrous? How can they be civilizations and torment the descendants left from a genocide with regular reminders that the brutal, sadistic subjugation and violence their ancestors suffered was insignificant and that the perpetrator of these crimes is to be esteemed. What is to be said for leaders of a city with such diversity to say the marginalized should suffer further marginalization to appease the descendants of their oppressors?

What is to be said is that that society, those leaders, are oppressive. But you don't have to be oppressive. You can be inclusive. You can be just. You can be part of the solution. Removing Columbus Day will not solve all the effects of racism and oppression, but it is a step forward. Take this step with us. It matters. These steps forward matter.

We have an opportunity *right now* in this current climate where racial justice is finally getting some of the attention it deserves. The actions by companies and elected officials to support racial equity is long overdue, but it is an indispensable step forward in opposing the

oppression of Black people, educating the nation, and reuniting Black children with a sense of pride and hope. The same is true for opposing the oppression of indigenous people. We know the profound difference that reclaiming the truth has on oppressed people, and together we have the power to reclaim this truth in Cook County.

When you are considering making this change, remember, it matters. Remember, indigenous people matter. Remember, the truth matters.

From: [Ryan O'Donnell](#)
To: [Bridget Gainer](#); [District 10](#)
Cc: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Support File #21-0565 Now!
Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021 7:15:35 AM

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Cook County Commissioner Gainer,

I am a resident of the 10th District, and you are my representative. Why have you ignored all of my emails? What is holding you back from supporting the effort for Cook County to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565)? I and many thousands of constituents of yours call on you to uphold your commitment to racial equity, as you demonstrated with your vote for Juneteenth!

Cook County and Cook County Forest Preserve had lands occupied by indigenous people before colonizers arrived. The 65,000 Native residents of Cook County today aren't asking that everyone leave, but they are asking for recognition. They are a part of the fabric of our country, state, and county. We need to do a better job of learning from them.

Italian is not a race; Italian is a nationality. I have not heard a single Italian person take issue with Columbus Day, which "honors" a murderer/rapist. But even if one did, this is not Italy; this is the United States. This is Illinois; a place to which indigenous people are native, not Italians. Keeping Columbus Day is like making a holiday in Italy after a terrorist from the United States. Getting rid of Columbus Day is non-negotiable. It must go. However, we aren't saying Americans can't lobby for a holiday that celebrates Italian immigrants.

[Colorado changed it to Mother Cabrini Day.](#)

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565. Your constituents will be watching the Board proceedings, and we will remember how you vote when it comes time for your re-election.

Thank you,

Ryan O'Donnell



From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Clinee Hedsbeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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From: **Andrea Carlson** <Andrea@mikinaak.com>
Date: Wed, Feb 17, 2021 at 9:20 AM
Subject: SUPPORT File #21-0565 and #21-0597
To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>, <Dennis.Deer@cookcountyil.gov>, <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>, <stanley.moore2@cookcountyil.gov>, <deborah.sims@cookcountyil.gov>, <donna.miller@cookcountyil.gov>, <luis.arroyo@cookcountyil.gov>, <cookcty9@aol.com>, <district10@cookcountyil.gov>, <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>, <lsuffredin@aol.com>, <sean.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <brandon.johnson@cookcountyil.gov>, <alma.anaya@cookcountyil.gov>, <kevin.morrison@cookcountyil.gov>, <Scott.Britton@cookcountyil.gov>, <frank.aguilar@cookcountyil.gov>, <bridget.deggen@cookcountyil.gov>, <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am an Ojibwe woman and an artist who lives in Chicago's Loop. Columbus Day is a celebration of white supremacy and the genocide of fellow Indigenous people. I support, not only erasing this annual harm to my community through the celebration of that murderer, but to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565). Because the general population in Chicago can't tell you whose stolen land they occupy, I also support the heartfelt reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597).

Join me, a person who loves Indigenous people, in saying NO to ongoing Columbus triumphalism, saying NO to the continued erasure of Indigenous people's lives, and say YES to a celebration of Indigenous people's accomplishments, saying "We see you" to Italian-Americans who don't want to be forever associated with the death of Indigenous people.

Support #21-0565 and #21-0597 please!

Miigwech,
Andrea Carlson

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From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Sorry! I meant for Marie to be 2nd and Andrea 3rd...but either way is actually, ok, lol!

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Subject: SUPPORT File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am a Cook County resident, also a second-generation American by way of Sicily, and I am strongly in support of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and the reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597), both referred to committees at the Dec 2020 Board Meeting.

While I was growing up, Columbus was almost like a patron saint in my family, probably as much as Santa Lucia, San Giuseppe and Santa Agatha. We never even imagined what his voyages did to the ancestors of our fellow Native citizens, though. We just knew how the image of the warrior/sailor who allegedly had begun the laying of the foundation for America was a powerful source of hope for success in America for my grandparents due to the fact that he was Italian, and the fact that they were dirt poor and treated like garbage simply for being Italian immigrants. This is true for just about every American family with ancestors who came from Italy in the 20th century.

After my grandparents got us into the middle class through hard work and brains, in addition to some policies like the GI Bill that favored descendants of Europeans, Columbus's image gave us extra validation that we were meant to succeed all along. The problem with this is that the image of him that we were brought up with is nothing like his true story. His true story behind the myth goes far beyond the fact that our fellow Native citizens today are still feeling the catastrophic effects of what he did, and what the U.S. government later continued, but that's a topic for another conversation.

The main point of this letter is that Italians deserve a holiday for our heritage, but we can think of something much better to center it around than Christopher Columbus. Our holiday needs to come after the second Monday in October, not before it, and we need to celebrate Indigenous People's Day on that day instead with the 65,000 Native Americans who live in Chicago, who work in every trade and profession under the sun, many who have fought in the U.S. military, and who come from many of the 574 federally recognized tribes across our country.

Good citizenship requires listening carefully to our fellow citizens. They deserve this 100 percent.

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597. We will be watching Board meetings this week, and in future months, and we will remember how you vote on these when it comes time for your re-election.

Thank you very much!

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President Preckwinkle and Cook County Commissioners:

As a Professor of Education who thinks A LOT about children/youth in schools, I'd like to share some the results of the survey of families and staff of the Chicago Public Schools to get feedback on the impact of their making the name change from Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day in February of 2020.

When asked what emotion words they FELT when CPS made this change they replied:

"Ecstatic, excited, relieved, optimistic, validated, hopeful, happy, proud, thankful/grateful, surprised it hadn't happened much sooner, inspired, thrilled, vindicated, and empowered."

Don't you want this for students and families/teachers/staff in all of Cook County??

94% of Survey respondents were very happy with CPS's decision.

Some of the comments were as follows:

"As someone with 50% indigenous DNA, it felt so gratifying to know schools will finally recognize the peoples that Columbus unjustly killed. This is an important step in dismantling White Supremacy in our culture."

"So happy for the marginalized people in this world but it could have been done earlier."

When asked about the effect the holiday name change has had on their child/students since CPS made the change to Indigenous Peoples' Day, people wrote:

"The name of the holiday matches with the history she has and will continue to learn, about indigenous people's struggles and resilience."

"It has given clarity and an honest celebration of America and the people who were here before us."

"I think it helps my children recognize that how history is written and by whom, matters."

"It has made them curious about the Native Americans of Illinois and civil rights issues."

"My students recognize the struggle Indigenous people have faced and continue to face today."

"My child sees the justice in this because she knows that Columbus was not a just person."

"My kindergartener will be more exposed to the contributions of first Nations people that was missing from my school textbooks."

"It has reinforced our family's belief that there needs to be greater efforts to bring light to the history and current conditions of Indigenous People."

"I think they feel proud and happy that Indigenous people are being recognized."

“We still had and have to be critical of all learning materials because it is still informed by patriarchal, capitalistic, white supremacist cultures and norms.”

“It’s acknowledging the individuals who were here first and not a colonizer. It’s been a positive effect.”

“It’s easier to teach the subject in the younger grades in a diverse school knowing we’re not championing a terrible person.”

98% of respondents said they think Cook County changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day would be: “AMAZING!/SO EXCITING!”

When prompted to complete the sentence: “When CPS made the holiday name change from Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day in Feb of 2020...I thought...

The majority of respondents said things like, “Finally!!! It’s about time. What took so long? I hope the city, county, state and country follow suit.”

One parent reflected that the name change has, “increased our trust in CPS making steps in the right direction towards authentic equitable education.”

Don’t you want to do the same for all of Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves? PLEASE stand on the side of racial equity by passing #21-0565 and File #21-0597 as soon as possible!

With gratitude and in solidarity,

Dr. Sarah E. Dennis

Adjunct Professor of Education at UIC (formerly at NYU, Roosevelt University and Loyola University)

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
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(Yes we'd sent this one for last month, but it wasn't read aloud, so we're requesting it be read aloud.)

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From: **Charlieklepac** <charlieklepac@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Dec 16, 2020 at 8:58 AM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>, Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Good morning,

I am a constituent of Commissioner Lowry, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

As an Italian-American, I say factually that Columbus Day is rooted in fiction and obstruction. Columbus sailed for the kingdom of Spain and served no national purpose or loyalty to Italy, which at the time of Columbus, bared little to no semblance to the nation many of our ancestors emigrated from in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The unification of Italy was not until 1861.

The notion that Columbus exists as an Italian-American/American hero or commemorates Italian nationalism is unfounded and false as the man did not set foot on modern-day American soil but on the Caribbean islands known as the West Indies - also a misnomer based on the false understanding that Columbus had arrived in India, the Asian subcontinent.

Additionally, Columbus never sought the United States but inadvertently arrived in the Caribbean searching for India, further adding to the erroneous construct of Columbus Day serving as an Italian-American/American heritage celebration.

The truth is that Columbus Day serves as a dismal reminder of the horrors of colonization and violent European expansion into the Western Hemisphere. Columbus and his army consisting primarily of mercenaries, pirates, and criminals brutalized the peoples of the Caribbean and made way for the genocide of the Indigenous peoples of North America.

The marginalized population of peoples who are forced to acknowledge this day, not of peace but of violence and ignorance, need to be heard and Columbus Day must be stricken from our recognized holiday list.

Instead, the very people who suffered because of men like Columbus need to be acknowledged and celebrated for their contribution to this nation. The indigenous peoples must be respected, heard, and celebrated.

A vote and change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is a good start.

Sincerely,

Charles Maiorca Klepac

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: #21-0565 - 2nd to be read aloud
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Date: Tue, Jan 26, 2021, 6:56 PM
Subject: Re: Cook County Board
To: Les Begay <les@wirelessolutions.tv>

Hey Les,

Here's my letter.

Best,
Monica

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\); Les Begay](#)
Subject: #21-0565 #4 to be read aloud
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This is the last one for today. (We have 4 more for Thursday's meeting that I'll send tomorrow :-)

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dr. Sarah E. Dennis

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\); Les Begay](#)
Subject: #21-0565- 1st to be read aloud Fwd: Alderwoman Maria Hadden's Letter
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Greetings!!

For Wednesday's 1/27 11am meeting of the Legislative Committee, we are requesting these FOUR (3 more e-mails coming right after this one) be read aloud into the public record in this order, please:

- 1) Alderwoman Maria Hadden, 49th Ward Chicago
- 2) Monica Rickert-Bolter (Potawatomi/Black/White)
- 3) Charlie Maiorca Klepac (Italian-American)
- 4) Dr. Sarah E. Dennis, Adjunct Professor of Education (RE: CPS Impact study)

We'll have 4 different ones for Thursday's Board meeting. THANK YOU!!!!

With gratitude,
Sarah

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From: **Leslie Perkins** <leslie@49thward.org>
Date: Thu, Dec 17, 2020 at 3:08 PM
Subject: Letter of Support for Resolution #21-0565
To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>, Les Begay <les@wirelessolutions.tv>

Good Afternoon,

Please find a letter of support from Alderwoman Hadden for Cook County resolution #21-0565 attached. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Leslie Perkins
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To the Cook County Board of Commissioners,

I am writing you today to express my support for the proposed resolution celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day, Resolution #21-0565. To fully perform the County's duty to support all communities' diversity, equity and inclusion, it must acknowledge the fact that America's Native peoples were systematically removed in order to provide the foundation on which our county and cities rest upon today.

I believe that this resolution is a responsible first step in reconciling this fact and its legacy of violence in order to support our county's vibrant Native communities, which continue to practice cultural traditions, care for the land, and educate others about the Native American perspective. Indigenous Peoples' Day will be a formal opportunity to celebrate Indigenous cultures in the County, recognizing the vital contributions of our county's first peoples.

I fully support this proposed resolution knowing it will provide a vital first step in acknowledging our County's history and the legacy of its Native communities.

Sincerely,

Maria E. Hadden
Alderwoman
Chicago's 49th Ward

From: [Holly Fingerle](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: : SUPPORT File #21-0565 and #21-0597
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Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am a Cook County resident strongly in support of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and the reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597), both referred to committees at the Dec 2020 Board Meeting.

As we approach the 134th Anniversary on Feb 8, 2021 of one of the most devastating historical events to Native people in the history of this country, when the U.S. Government devised a way to steal the largest amount of Native land under the guise that it was helping Native people become "civilized," with the signing of the Dawes Act of 1887, I and thousands of other Cook County residents call on you to uphold your commitment to racial equity, and begin to right the wrongs of the past.

All of Cook County and Cook County Forest Preserve lands were Native lands before colonizers arrived. The about 65,000 Native residents of Cook County today aren't asking that everyone leave, but they are asking for recognition, and deserve honoring, just as you did recently with Juneteenth!

PLEASE SUPPORT Resolutions #21-0565 and #21-0597. We will be watching Board meetings this week, and in future months thank you.

Sincerely,

Holly Fingerle

From: [Les Begay](#)
To: [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [cookcty9@cookcountyl.gov](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Commissioners,

Bloomington, IL passed Indigenous Peoples Day and I hope you will follow with your approval with the upcoming #21-0565 and #21-0597. Approval for Indigenous Peoples Day and a Land Acknowledgement are necessary to move forward with the Board's pledge for racial and social justice.

<https://www.centralillinoisproud.com/news/local-news/bloomington-leaders-vote-to-honor-indigenous-people-at-a-city-level-and-advocate-for-them-at-the-state-level/>

Thank you.

Les Begay

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From: [Naomi Goldstein](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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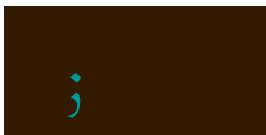
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To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
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Greetings, again!

I apologize for our misunderstanding that it wasn't possible to have public comments read in the Committee meeting today, except for the live speakers speaking about the file #s on the agenda. We'll look forward to having live speakers (under 3 minutes per person) for whenever these Items are on the agenda (we're hoping Feb, right?)?

So, instead of the 4 we submitted yesterday (when we THOUGHT we were going to have 4 yesterday AND 4 different people today)...these are the 4 we'd like read aloud Thursday, in this order...thank you!

- 1) Alderwoman Maria Hadden, 49th Ward Chicago
- 2) Charlie Maiorca Klepac (Italian-American)
- 3) Monica Rickert-Bolter (Potawatomi/Black/White)
- 4) State Rep. Will Guizzardi (also Italian--American)

With gratitude,
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

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From: Monica Rickert <mm.whitepigeon@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 26, 2021, 6:56 PM
Subject: Re: Cook County Board
To: Les Begay <les@wirelessolutions.tv>

Hey Les,

Here's my letter.

Best,
Monica

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedsbeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
Subject: for 1/28 - #21-0565- 4th to be read aloud from Rep. Guzzardi in Support of Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 8:26:16 PM
Attachments: [Indigenous Peoples' Day Letter of Support, Rep. Guzzardi.pdf](#)

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From: Emily Melbye <emily@repguzzardi.com>
Date: Thu, Dec 17, 2020 at 4:28 PM
Subject: Letter from Rep. Guzzardi in Support of Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: Sarah Dennis <nameillinois@gmail.com>
Cc: Les Begay <les@wirelessolutions.tv>, Will Guzzardi <will@willguzzardi.com>

Good afternoon Sarah,

I hope you're doing well! Attached is a copy of Rep. Guzzardi's letter in support of the proposal to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Our office has sent this letter to the Cook County Board.

Thank you for reaching out and sharing this opportunity for our office to stand in support of this important and necessary change. Please feel free to keep in touch on this matter!

Best,
- Emily

Emily Melbye
Chief of Staff
Office of State Rep. Will Guzzardi

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Will Guzzardi
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
39th DISTRICT

December 17, 2020

Cook County Board of Commissioners
118 N. Clark St. Suite 567
Chicago, IL 60602

To whom it may concern:

I write in support of the proposal to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I have supported this change in the Illinois legislature in the guise of Rep. Ramirez's House Bill 5533, and I urge my home county of Cook to lead the way on this issue.

Christopher Columbus never set foot in the present-day United States. Instead, he traveled a number of islands in the Caribbean, enslaving many of the native population and spreading disease that ravaged the rest. For too long, our education system has focused on the arrival of Columbus as the beginning of American history, while ignoring the millennia of rich and complex history of Tribal Nations on this soil.

By naming this day Indigenous Peoples' Day, we can refocus our education system on those Indigenous peoples — their history in its own right, their relationships and treaties with European settlers, and the violations of those treaties that resulted in mass displacement and genocide.

Many of my fellow Italian-Americans believe preserving Columbus Day is important to honor our heritage. I share their view that our heritage is important and deserves to be remembered. But I believe that there are many other Italian-American role models we could honor whose legacies aren't tarnished by mass murder.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Guzzardi".

Will Guzzardi
State Representative, 39th District

773-853-2570

emily@repguzzardi.com

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\); Les Begay](#)
Subject: for 1/28 - #210565 2nd to be read into the public record
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Please read this one 2nd. Thanks! (We did time it, and it should be well under 3 minutes still.)

From: [Colt Borg](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: In support of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day
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From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [Dennis.Deer@cookcountyil.gov](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [bridget.degnen@cookcountyl.gov](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [lsuffredin@cookcountyl.gov](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [sean.morrison@cookcountyl.gov](#)
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Commissioners,

I am a resident of the 10th district and I have emailed Bridget Gainer and the other Commissioners to express my ongoing support to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. The time has come to honor the original inhabitants of our country and stop celebrating a murderer, torturer and enslaver who never set foot on our soil

This discussion began at the United Nations in 1977 and to date, 26 states, 14 and counting, Universities and over 130 cities have adopted Indigenous People's Day. The first city to do so was Berkley CA in 1992. This has been a long battle. I will name some of the cities that have also done this; Salt Lake City, Seattle, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland OR, Denver, Austin, Lincoln NB, Albuquerque and Santa Fe

Nearby states that participate are Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Surrounding cities are Minneapolis, St Paul, Madison, and as of this year, Indianapolis. Illinois cities are Evanston, Oak Park, and as of January 25, Bloomington IL.

This cannot and should not be ignored any longer. It is time to acknowledge historical truth and Indigenous People's Day is a first step as is Juneteenth. I sincerely hope you will realize the importance of Indigenous People's Day as you did by recognizing the importance of Juneteenth.

I thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Fritz-Birch

From: [Ashley Helmski](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Best,

Ashley Helminski

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From: [Nicole S Martino](#)
To: [Peter Silvestri](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Italian-Americans SUPPORT Indigenous Peoples' Day (21-0565)
Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51:40 PM

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To whom it may concern,

As a Cook County resident with Italian heritage, I strongly support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (Resolution 21-0565), and request that you support it as well! It's unfathomable to me that a colonizer who is a well-documented rapist and murderer, who terrorized multiple continents, who didn't value human life, dignity, or land, is plastered across one of the greatest cities in the world.

It's a dark and shameful piece of Italian-American history that should be taught in much more somber means than a day of celebration. It's important to remember Columbus, ONLY so we do not repeat his egregious mistakes. We should not be celebrating him and thereby laughing in the face of our Indigenous brothers and sisters, traumatizing them year after year with this misplaced and misguided holiday. Please show the Indigenous Peoples whose land you sit on a morsel of respect for what we have done to them as a nation, for what our Italian ancestors did to them. They deserve this day and the city deserves a day to learn how to celebrate the life and culture of Indigenous Peoples, not their death and erasure.

Thank you for your time.

Nicole

From: [Charles Klepac](#)
To: [Peter Silvestri](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
Subject: Italian-Americans SUPPORT Indigenous Peoples" Day (21-0565)
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Commissioner Silvestri et al.,

As an American with Italian heritage, I implore you to support resolution 21-0565 in changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day.

I urge you to remember some critical facts regarding Columbus and how this day serves not as a proud moment for Italian-Americans, but as a farce, a hoax, and a lie.

Columbus himself was not named Christopher Columbus but Cristoforo Colombo. Even *his* Italian heritage is not honored in this false holiday. This Anglicization is the principle that needs to be addressed and acknowledged. Columbus was a servant of Spain, not Italy, and indeed not an individual who brings pride to the country so many of us hail from.

Italy, I remind you, is a country filled with a variety of ethnicities and heritages that took hundreds of years to be unified. We (especially our Sicilian brothers) are a mix of African, Arab, Nordic, Spanish, Alpine, and Greek ethnicities.

Additionally, let us not forget that Italian Americans were not wanted in this country when we first emigrated from our homelands. This country was not built for Italians but for Anglo whites.

The Anglo-centric majority of America could not accept my Sicilian grandfather, Salvatore Alfonso, who had to take the name Sam in order to be respected, accepted, and successful.

But much harsher than our European ancestor's discrimination, was the discrimination and

genocide of the Native Americans who lived on this land for centuries.

This Euro-centric nation has white-washed the indigenous peoples of America from this country's history. We (as a nation) have forced them to take names that are not their own, we have forced them to practice and observe holidays that do not reflect their culture, and we have failed to honor Native Americans (North, South, and Central Americans) in any way that credits their magnificent cultures and heritages.

But we as Italian-Americans are supposed to honor a man, working for a Spanish Kingdom, whose heritage is rooted in an Italian nation hundreds of years away from ethno-unification, who never stepped foot on North American soil? Commissioners, it simply does not make sense.

As an Italian-American, I say factually that Columbus Day is rooted in fiction and obstruction. Columbus sailed for the kingdom of Spain and served no national purpose or loyalty to Italy, which at the time of Columbus, bore little to no semblance to the nation many of our ancestors emigrated from in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The unification of Italy was not until 1861.

The notion that Columbus exists as an Italian-American/American hero or commemorates Italian nationalism is unfounded and false as the man did not set foot on modern-day American soil but on the Caribbean islands known as the West Indies - also a misnomer based on the false understanding that Columbus had arrived in India, the Asian subcontinent.

Additionally, Columbus never sought the United States but inadvertently arrived in the Caribbean searching for India, further adding to the erroneous construct of Columbus Day serving as an Italian-American/American heritage celebration.

The truth is that Columbus Day serves as a dismal reminder of the horrors of colonization and violent European expansion into the Western Hemisphere. Columbus and his army consisting primarily of mercenaries, pirates, and criminals brutalized the peoples of the Caribbean and made way for the genocide of the Indigenous peoples of North America.

The marginalized population of peoples who are forced to acknowledge this day, not of peace but of violence and ignorance, need to be heard and Columbus Day must be stricken from our recognized holiday list.

Instead, the very people who suffered because of men like Columbus need to be acknowledged and celebrated for their contribution to this nation. The indigenous peoples must be respected, heard, and celebrated.

A vote and change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is a good start.

From: [Ashley Jurek](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please support File #21-0565 and File #21-0597
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The natives of this country are pushed aside.

Please,
Ashley

From: [Maria](#)
To: [Ipd4Cps](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Thank you for your consideration,
Maria Santillan
Cook County resident

From: [Lauren Bell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you for your work on behalf of people, equity, and justice.

Lauren Bell

From: [Lily Elderkin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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There are countless painful anniversaries of genocide, theft, and brutality of the US Government toward Native peoples. We are coming upon the 134th anniversary of the Dawes Act of 1887. In recognition of this abhorrent piece of legislation and the US's long history of erasing, murdering, and stealing from indigenous people, it is past time to create a day of remembrance and honor for the indigenous peoples whose land we continue to occupy. **I and thousands of other Cook County residents call on you to uphold your commitment to racial equity and begin to right the wrongs of the past.**

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Thank you.

Lily Elderkin

From: [Matt Priest](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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PLEASE SUPPORT Resolution #21-0565! Anything less is unacceptable; the people of Cook County must know they can count on your moral leadership on this issue. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Matt Priest

From: [Dave Peterson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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On a personal note, resolutions such as these are very long overdue, and should be followed immediately by significant substantive action.

Sincerely,

Dave Peterson, Berwyn Resident

davenpeterson@gmail.com

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From: [Bonnie Richardson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,
Bonnie Richardson
1791 W Howard St Unit 204
Chicago, IL 60626

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From: [Sierra Coyne](#)
To: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Sierra Coyne

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University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign | Class of 2021
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From: [Huu Nguyen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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From: [Mariah Karson](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Mariah Karson

She/Her/Hers

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From: [Angela Washelsky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,

Angela Washelesky

Partner

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From: [Sergio M. Rivera](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Sergio M. Rivera
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From: Communard92@protonmail.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [Peter Silvestri](#)
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Mestre Beto de Freitas

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From: [Maria Starck](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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Regards,
Maria Starck

From: [Cathy King](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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I am a voter and Cook County resident with Indigenous Maya family members.

I very strongly support modernizing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and the reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597), both referred to committees at the Dec 2020 Board Meeting.

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Cathy King
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Chicago 60659

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From: [Sophie Cohen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you for your consideration,

Sophie Cohen

From: [Emily Miller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Thank you and stay well,

--

Emily Miller
LMSW, MSW

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Thank you,

Karen Torres
Voter
60656

From: [Grace Barter](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Thank you,
Grace

Grace Barter
gracembarter13@gmail.com
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From: [Eleanor Walsh](#)
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Best,

Eleanor Walsh

From: [Charles Klepac](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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From: [Florian](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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As an Italian American, I do not believe Christopher Columbus Day honors Italians, as he is responsible for brutality, slavery, and dehumanization of Native Americans. There are much better ways to honor Italian heritage, and one way to do it is to stop celebrating our most notorious murderer and start recognizing the people who lived in the US long before Columbus.

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Best,

Florian Palucci

From: [Taylor Fenderbosch](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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--

Taylor Fenderbosch
440.665.9635
she/her

From: [Vanessa Padecky](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Sincerely,

Vanessa J Padecky

From: [National Lawyers Guild - Chicago](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Cook County Commissioners & Board Secretary,

I am writing on behalf of the Chicago chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, a group of progressive attorneys, law students and legal workers whose mission is that human rights are held more sacred than property.

I am writing to let you know that we strongly support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day (File #21-0565) and the reading of a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board meetings (File #21-0597), both referred to committees at the Dec 2020 Board Meeting.

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Betsy Merbitz

she/her/hers

Chapter Administrator, Chicago National Lawyers Guild

chicago@nlg.org

312-725-8873

From: [Lavender Rodriguez](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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From: [Abby Greaney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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From: [Ron Baiman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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From: [JeeYeun Lee](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
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Thank you,

Dave Stieber

From: [Jay Sherby](#)
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Thank you,
Jay Sherby

From: [Chelsea Butters Wooding](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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My sincerest appreciation for your time and consideration. I look forward to seeing and hearing your support of these resolutions to honor and respect Native residents and people who are so deserving of this day.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Wooding

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Assistant Professor, Exercise Science
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North Park Univeristy

From: [Eliza Bangert](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Eliza Bangert

From: [Marie Winnick](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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While I was growing up, Columbus was almost like a patron saint in my family, probably as much as Santa Lucia, San Giuseppe and Santa Agatha. We never even imagined what his voyages did to the ancestors of our fellow Native citizens, though. We just knew how the image of the warrior/sailor who allegedly had begun the laying of the foundation for America was a powerful source of hope for success in America for my grandparents due to the fact that he was Italian, and the fact that they were dirt poor and treated like garbage simply for being Italian immigrants. This is true for just about every American family with ancestors who came from Italy in the 20th century.

After my grandparents got us into the middle class through hard work and brains, in addition to some policies like the GI Bill that favored descendants of Europeans, Columbus's image gave us extra validation that we were meant to succeed all along. The problem with this is that the image of him that we were brought up with is nothing like his true story. His true story behind the myth goes far beyond the fact that our fellow Native citizens today are still feeling the catastrophic effects of what he did, and what the U.S. government later continued, but that's a topic for another conversation.

The main point of this letter is that Italians deserve a holiday for our heritage, but we can think of something much better to center it around than Christopher Columbus. Our holiday needs to come after the second Monday in October, not before it, and we need to celebrate Indigenous People's Day on that day instead with the 65,000 Native Americans who live in Chicago, who work in every trade and profession under the sun, many who have fought in the U.S. military, and who come from many of the 574 federally recognized tribes across our country.

Good citizenship requires listening carefully to our fellow citizens. They deserve this 100 percent.

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Thank you,
Keyla Ferraro

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Thanks,
-Sean

From: [McKensie Mack Group](#)
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All the best,

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In Service,
Syda Segovia Taylor



Syda Segovia Taylor, M.A.
Founder/Executive Director

She/her/hers

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syda@organiconeness.org

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"We belong to an organic unit and when one part of the organism suffers all of the rest of the body will feel it's consequence." -Baha'i Writings

I acknowledge the original caretakers of this land, the Three Fires Confederacy: Ojibwe, Odawa, and Potawatomi; and also the Myaamia, Inoka, Ho-Chunk, and Menominee. I am humbled to be a guest on this land.

From: [Brian J. Solem](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Thank you,

Brian Solem
Chicago, IL, 60630

From: [Monica Komperda](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
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Thank you for your time

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From: [Laurel Chen](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
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From: [Kristin Oberdorf](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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Thank you very much,

Kristin Oberdorf
Zip code: 60618

From: [Yakov Pekar](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Thank you,

Yakov Pekar

From: [Carrol Smith](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri \(District 10\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Larry Suffredin](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Brandon Johnson \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Frank Aguilar \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com
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It is easy to acknowledge that the U. S. Government unfairly seized the lands of the indigenous people of North America. By changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day we outwardly recognize what our government has done and make sure Indigenous People receive some recognition. This would be a commitment to racial equity that is sorely needed. The wrongs of the past cannot be undone, but this outward recognition may bring some measure of healing.

Please support the two resolutions. I will be monitoring the results of your support and will remember how you voted at election time.

Thank you for your attention to my email.

Carrol Smith

1016 S. Highland Ave.

Oak Park, IL

708-476-6754

Carrol A. Smith, PhD, RN, Retired

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:55 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Fwd: Change Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day

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From: **Florian** <ftpalucci@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 11, 2020 at 10:54 AM
Subject: Change Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day
To: <luis.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>

Hello!

I live in Logan Square in Chicago and I'm s constituent of Luis Arroyo Jr.

I am writing to support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. As an Italian American, I feel no pride for Christopher Columbus who committed many historical atrocities and does not deserve to be honored with a public holiday.

I would much prefer we honor and celebrate the people whose land this was, who are still often overlooked in spite of their rich histories and the many contemporary Native American people doing amazing work in this country today. Changing the name of the day would encourage learning about Native American history, past and present and do more good in Chicago and beyond.

Please support the resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day!

Sincerely,
Florian Palucci

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:58 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Fwd: Indigenous Peoples' Day, Not Columbus Day

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From: Rachel Lyons <rachelyons@googlemail.com>
Date: Tue, Nov 10, 2020 at 7:16 PM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day, Not Columbus Day
To: <dennis.deer@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Dear Commissioner Deer,

Hello, my name is Rachel Lyons, and we met when I was working at Old St. Patrick's Church and was a part of NLCCC and the North Lawndale Restorative Justice Hub. I now live in Tri-Taylor and continue to be a constituent of yours. I hope you and your family are well.

I am writing to you because I am passionate about changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day here in Cook County. I believe this is an important way to push back against colonialism and racism while uplifting and honoring the many different tribal nations and Indigenous peoples in our county and in our state.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution that will be introduced at the November Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Take care,
Rachel

912 S Bell Ave
Chicago, IL 60612
she/her/hers
rachelyons@gmail.com

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:49 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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From: Matt Priest <priest.matt@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Nov 10, 2020 at 10:52 PM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <cookcty9@aol.com>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Dear Commissioner Sylvestri -

I'm a constituent of yours and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! It is my hope that the thousands of Cook County residents who are supportive of this change - many of whom of Italian-Americans - can count

on your support for the Resolution that will be introduced at the November Board Meeting. With it, we hope to see the name of the Columbus Day holiday changed to the much more honorable Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Thank you for reading; I appreciate your time.

Sincerely,

Matt Priest
Mount Prospect, IL

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:48 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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From: Chelsea Butters Wooding <cmbutters@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Nov 12, 2020 at 12:59 PM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <luís.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Dear Commissioner Arroyo,

Hello - my name is Chelsea Wooding and I am a constituent of yours. I wanted to send a brief email to share that I am in full support of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. As we learn more about the true history of Columbus and his actions, it seems appropriate to honor the Indigenous People of these lands, rather than someone who came in

and destroyed innocent people. I hope I, and the many thousands of Cook County residents who are supportive of this change, can count on your support for this crucial vote.

If you have any questions, I would be more than happy to answer them.

Thank you for the work you do for this community, Commissioner Arroyo. I look forward to hearing about your support of this change!

Chelsea

Chelsea Wooding, Ph.D., CMPC

Pronouns: she/her/hers (Click [here](#) for more information about why pronouns matter)

Assistant Professor, Exercise Science

School of Nursing and Health Sciences

North Park University

Land Acknowledgement: I acknowledge the land I am on today as the traditional territory of the Kiikaapoi, Peoria, Potawatomi, Myaamia, and Očhéthi Sakówin. Tribal nations. I also acknowledge the Tribal governments and their roles today in taking care of these lands. Click [here](#) for more information about land acknowledgements and their importance.

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:43 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Fwd: Indigenous Peoples' Day Change

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From: **Laurel Chen** <laurelkchen@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 18, 2020 at 10:48 PM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day Change
To: <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Hello Commissioner Lowry,

I am a constituent in your district and am urging you to support the change from Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. It's time to be on the right side of history and I hope you will listen to myself, other residents, and Indigenous peoples of Chicago in asking for this change.

Thank you,

Laurel Chen

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Laurel Chen
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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:46 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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From: Catherine Lockerd <lockerca@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 16, 2020 at 5:47 PM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
To: <luís.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Hi Commissioner Arroyo,

I hope you and your family are safe and well. I'm a constituent of yours and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can

count on your support also for the Resolution that will be introduced at the Nov Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Please help create this positive change in giving recognition to the appropriate natives of our community, state, and country.

Warm regards,
Catherine Lockerd

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:59 PM
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From: **Beth Yahne** <beth.yahne@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 10:49 AM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <luís.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Hello,

My name is Beth and I am one of your constituents in District 8. I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

I hope the thousands of residents in Cook County who are also supportive of this change can count on your support for the Resolution that will be introduced at the November Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Thank you.

Regards,
Beth Yahne

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From: C Estrich <cameronestrich@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 3:18 PM
Subject: Indigenous People's Day
To: <luis.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>

Dear Cook County Commissioner,

I am one of your constituents and I support changing "Columbus Day" to "Indigenous People's Day".

Please support the resolution at the November board meeting to change the name of the holiday to "Indigenous People's Day." Thank you!

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:06 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Fwd: Please support the change to Indigenous Peoples' Day

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From: Rachel McDonnell <rmg.mcd@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 3:01 PM
Subject: Please support the change to Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <district10@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Hello Commissioner Gainer,
I am a constituent of yours (and fellow parishioner at St. Clement). I am also an American with Italian heritage and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution that will be

introduced at the Nov Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Sincerely,
Rachel McDonnell

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:02 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Fwd: Support for name change to Indigenous Peoples' Day

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From: **Michelle Baker** <michelle082@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 8:53 PM
Subject: Support for name change to Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <luis.arroyojr@cookcountyil.gov>

Hello-

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your

support also for the Resolution that will be introduced at the Nov Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Michelle Baker
4339 N. Spaulding Ave

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: erikka cochran <erikkacochran@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 8:38 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: bill.lowry@cookcounty.gov
Subject: Indigenous peoples day

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I am a constituent of Commissioner Lowry, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

Erikka Cochran

Sent from my iPhone

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: aiko kojima <kojimaiko@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 2:45 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day

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Dear Commissioner Bill Lowry,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bill Lowry, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Thank you,
Aiko Kojima Hibino

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Christian Perry <christiandperry1@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:43 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: ipd4cps@gmail.com

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To The Cook County Board of Commissioners,

On behalf of Black Millennial Renaissance, a network of Black Millennials and their allies fighting to end systemic racism, I'd like to emphatically state our support of the proposed resolution 21-0565 Celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day!

It's extremely important that Cook County seizes every opportunity provided, to respond to this moment of reckoning our country is currently experiencing. The repairing of harm done by celebrating a piece of our country's past, that is painful to many, is one small but meaningful step in the right direction.

The symbols we embrace, heroes we uplift, and narratives we deem normative mean something. For Indigenous people and African-Americans our society has placed our truths in the recesses of our collective consciousness in order to preserve a vision of ourselves that is more cognitively pleasing. This moment is calling on all of us, to make right what we can, and to fight in pursuit of what's not immediately within our grasps.

The acknowledgement of Indigenous Peoples' Day is within our grasp. We implore you all to seize the moment. Thank you.

In Gratitude & Service,
Christian D. Perry

Lead Strategist
Black Millennial Renaissance

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Emily Melbye <emily@repguzzardi.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 4:22 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: Will Guzzardi
Subject: Letter from Rep. Guzzardi in Support of Indigenous Peoples' Day
Attachments: Indigenous Peoples' Day Letter of Support, Rep. Guzzardi.pdf

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Good afternoon,

Please see the attached letter from State Rep. Will Guzzardi in support of the proposal to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Thank you,
- Emily Melbye

Emily Melbye
Chief of Staff
Office of State Rep. Will Guzzardi
773-853-2570
emily@repguzzardi.com

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Will Guzzardi
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
39th DISTRICT

December 17, 2020

Cook County Board of Commissioners
118 N. Clark St. Suite 567
Chicago, IL 60602

To whom it may concern:

I write in support of the proposal to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I have supported this change in the Illinois legislature in the guise of Rep. Ramirez's House Bill 5533, and I urge my home county of Cook to lead the way on this issue.

Christopher Columbus never set foot in the present-day United States. Instead, he traveled a number of islands in the Caribbean, enslaving many of the native population and spreading disease that ravaged the rest. For too long, our education system has focused on the arrival of Columbus as the beginning of American history, while ignoring the millennia of rich and complex history of Tribal Nations on this soil.

By naming this day Indigenous Peoples' Day, we can refocus our education system on those Indigenous peoples — their history in its own right, their relationships and treaties with European settlers, and the violations of those treaties that resulted in mass displacement and genocide.

Many of my fellow Italian-Americans believe preserving Columbus Day is important to honor our heritage. I share their view that our heritage is important and deserves to be remembered. But I believe that there are many other Italian-American role models we could honor whose legacies aren't tarnished by mass murder.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Guzzardi".

Will Guzzardi
State Representative, 39th District

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Leslie Perkins <leslie@49thward.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 3:08 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: Sarah E. Dennis; Les Begay
Subject: Letter of Support for Resolution #21-0565
Attachments: Cook County Indigenous People's Day Letter of Support_Ald Hadden.docx; Cook County Indigenous People's Day Letter of Support_Ald Hadden.docx

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Good Afternoon,

Please find a letter of support from Alderwoman Hadden for Cook County resolution #21-0565 attached.
Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Leslie Perkins
Chief of Staff
Alderwoman Hadden, 49th Ward
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To the Cook County Board of Commissioners,

I am writing you today to express my support for the proposed resolution celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day, Resolution #21-0565. To fully perform the County's duty to support all communities' diversity, equity and inclusion, it must acknowledge the fact that America's Native peoples were systematically removed in order to provide the foundation on which our county and cities rest upon today.

I believe that this resolution is a responsible first step in reconciling this fact and its legacy of violence in order to support our county's vibrant Native communities, which continue to practice cultural traditions, care for the land, and educate others about the Native American perspective. Indigenous Peoples' Day will be a formal opportunity to celebrate Indigenous cultures in the County, recognizing the vital contributions of our county's first peoples.

I fully support this proposed resolution knowing it will provide a vital first step in acknowledging our County's history and the legacy of its Native communities.

Sincerely,

Maria E. Hadden
Alderwoman
Chicago's 49th Ward

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Colin Higgins <chiggins829@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:03 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: Sarah E. Dennis; District 10
Subject: Please support Resolution #21-0565!

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Dear Commissioner Gainer & Cook County Board.

I am a constituent of Commissioner Gainer, and I strongly support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also! I believe the change is incredibly important and long overdue.

Thank you very much,

Colin Higgins

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Les Begay <les@wirelessolutions.tv>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 3:18 PM
To: Leslie Perkins
Cc: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Sarah E. Dennis
Subject: Re: Letter of Support for Resolution #21-0565

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Thank you for the letter and Ald. Hadden's support.

On Thu, Dec 17, 2020, 3:08 PM Leslie Perkins <leslie@49thward.org> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Please find a letter of support from Alderwoman Hadden for Cook County resolution #21-0565 attached. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Leslie Perkins
Chief of Staff
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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 7:42 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Re: Support Resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day

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On Sat, Nov 14, 2020 at 1:24 PM Kathy Buckley <kathybuckley@yahoo.com> wrote:

Commissioner Daley,

As a constituent I am reaching out to you today to ask you to support the Resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day.

Let's not continue to whitewash our violent history by honoring Christopher Columbus on this day. We were not taught any of these realities in school back in the 50's and would go so far to say we were taught "Indians" were bad and "savages" and I want my great grandchildren to grow up in a society that acknowledges and celebrates the contributions of Native Americans, not some genocidal colonial oppressor who didn't even "discover" America.

Illinois was home to many Native American tribes who were decimated or pushed out from their lands; let's honor them today by replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day and teach our next generations a fuller, more accurate history of our nation.

Thank you.

Kathy Buckley
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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Kelly Quillin <kcquillin@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 2:16 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Luis Arroyo Jr (Board of Commissioners)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Re Support for Resolution #21-0565

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Hello. I am a constituent of Commissioner Luis Arroyo, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Rodger Field <rodger.field@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 3:42 PM
To: Bill Lowry (Board of Commissioners)
Cc: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support for Indigenous Peoples Day

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Thank you. Rodger Field

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Aaron Golding <aaron.golding@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 2:51 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: Support for Indigenous Peoples Day

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Dear Cook County Board Members,

Nya:weh Sgeno. My name is Aaron Golding. I am a member of the Seneca Nation, Beaver Clan. I am writing to express my support for changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. All across the Nation, cities, municipalities, and states have already recognized the need to stop celebrating Christopher Columbus, a man that didn't discover this continent, (Native Peoples have been here since time immemorial), but rather enslaved and practiced genocidal tactics toward the Taino people. It's time that we stop centering our history on a murderous man and begin centering our history on the People that have and always will remain on these lands. Native Americans are alive and well in Cook County. Our Board Commissioner at the American Indian Center's annual Pow Wow in 2019. To be in community and in support of Native Peoples means that we have to discontinue the false colonial narratives about Native Americans. Celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day is one step toward recognizing the numerous contributions Native Americans have made to this country.

As a parent of two beautiful Native American girls, I hate having to annually challenge the messages that are spread about Columbus. It's harmful and confusing to them. Celebrating someone that "found" this land, erases their ancestors and their communities. It affects them. I know this because it affected me as a young person. I hope, as any parent does, to create a better world for my children. This is my duty as a parent.

As we continue the work of creating a more just and equitable country, I ask that you strongly consider celebrating Native Peoples by adopting Indigenous Peoples Day.

Thank you,
Aaron Golding

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Jeannie Tomoda Harrell <harrelljeannie@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 7:21 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); District 10
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support for Resolution #21-0565 (Indigenous People's Day)

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Dear Commissioner Gainer,

I am a constituent of yours living in Uptown Chicago (60640 zip code). I'm writing in support of Resolution #21-0565, to change Columbus Day as observed in Illinois to Indigenous People's Day. This is a gesture that is only the beginning of the much-needed retribution to native communities in the white-settled United States.

My understanding is that two more commissioners are needed to support this resolution. I hope you can represent the thousands of people in our district who support this bill!

Warmly,

Jeannie Tomoda Harrell
(617) 455-7474

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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 10:37 PM
Cc: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Luis Arroyo Jr (Board of Commissioners)
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day #21-0565

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Commissioner Arroyo,

I am a constituent of yours, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced tomorrow to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

As one of the organizers of this effort, I have been cc'd by MANY of your constituents as they've contacted you. I called your office and spoke to your staff back in March! I've tried SO MANY TIMES to get a meeting with you, and am extremely disappointed you won't meet with us.

This reflects VERY POORLY on your leadership, and I won't be surprised if you have a very competent challenger in the next election. You are letting down your constituents, MANY of whom have Indigenous ancestry through Mexico and Central/South America, not to mention the allies with African, Asian and European ancestry.

Regards,
Sarah E. Dennis, Ph.D. (she/her)
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Jennifer Ciok <jenniferciok@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:34 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Peter Silvestri
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day

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Hello.

I am concerned that I have not heard from you at all regarding this matter, especially as this is the third time I have reached out.

I am a constituent of Commissioner Silvestri, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Ciok

On Tue, Dec 8, 2020 at 8:42 PM Jennifer Ciok <jenniferciok@gmail.com> wrote:

Good evening,

I am just following up on this. As a constituent of Commissioner Silvestri, I want to again reiterate my support for the Resolution that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples'

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On Wed, Nov 18, 2020 at 3:32 PM Jennifer Ciok <jenniferciok@gmail.com> wrote:

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With gratitude,

Jen Ciok

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Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Erin Sindewald <erin.sindewald@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:36 PM
To: John Daley (Board of Commissioners); CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
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Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day

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Greetings,

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I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote as well.

Many thanks,

Erin Sindewald
3112 S May St, Chicago, IL 60608

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Steve Dennis <stevedennis@rocketmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 10:31 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Luis Arroyo Jr (Board of Commissioners)
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Hello. I am a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo Jr, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

Chicago Public Schools is already making great steps and teaching our youth about the Ingenous culture that thrived on the continent before Europeans arrived and also teaching them the truth about Columbus' real motives that led to genocide and the slave trade. As our children grow up celebrating indigenous culture they need to see the same values reflected in their environment and Cook County can play a part in that by also replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. I ask you to meet with those leading the change and talk further with them to learn how you can play a part in making this momentous change.

Regards,

Steve Dennis
IL 60618

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Scamy Ramton <scamyramton@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 7:44 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: Bridget Degnen (Board of Commissioners); ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day

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Hello. I am a constituent of Commissioner **Bridget Degnen**, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! Thank you for your commitment to represent the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change! Please sign on as a co-sponsor if you haven't already!!

Scott Ramsayer

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 11:04 PM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Cc: Clinee Hedspeth (Board of Commissioners); Les Begay
Subject: to be read aloud PUBLIC RECORD...letter from Chgo Alderman
Attachments: IPD letter from Alderman Sigcho-Lopez.pdf

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Greetings!!

We're still waiting for our last of the 5 that we'd like to be read aloud into the public record in the morning...so I can compile them all (well, one wrote directly to you Board Secretary, but didn't cc us) in the order in which we'd like them read...and will send to you tomorrow morning...hopefully by 9am. Still waiting for that last one to come in that we're hoping for! (If you could find/pull/locate the one from Aaron Golding, who is a Native man who works at Northwestern University, we're not sure if he sent it from: aaron.golding@northwestern.edu or from a personal e-mail.)

THANK YOU for reading 5 into the Public Record last month! We think we have another great 5 for you this month...all different people :-)

With gratitude,
Sarah
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition - Illinois

Timothy Casey (Secretary to the Board)

From: Sarah E. Dennis <nameillinois@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 8:47 AM
To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board); Clinee Hedspeth (Board of Commissioners)
Cc: Les Begay; Sarah Dennis
Subject: TO BE READ into PUBLIC RECORD - 4 of 5 for Indigenous Peoples' Day for TODAY
Attachments: 2 IPD letter from Alderman Sigcho-Lopez.pdf; 4 Christian Perry.jpg.png; 5 Newberry-IPD statement_Cook County.pdf

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THANK YOU BOTH for your help with this!!

These are the 5 submissions we'd like to be read aloud into the public record, in this order if at all possible (well #1 was sent to you, Secretary, but not cc'd to us):

1) Aaron Golding (Native, from Northwestern University) (he didn't cc us) - aaron.golding@northwestern.edu (or a personal e-mail, not sure)

2) Alderman Byron Sigcho-Lopez (25th Ward, Chicago) e-mailed 11pm 12/16/20 from ipd4cps@gmail.com as PDF - ATTACHED BELOW

3) Charles Maiorca Klepac (Italian-American) - charlieklepac@gmail.com (12/16) - AT BOTTOM of this e-mail

4) Christian Perry, Black Millennial Renaissance - christiandperry1@gmail.com (sent 9:43pm 12/16 - ATTACHED)

5) Newberry Library - President Daniel Greene - greened@newberry.org (sent Dec 9th) - RE-ATTACHED



December 9, 2020

Cook County Board of Commissioners
118 N. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60602
RE: Indigenous Peoples' Day

Dear Board Commissioners:

The Newberry Library has long aimed to provide access to information about Indigenous peoples and improve the quality of education about Indigenous history. We write today on behalf of the library's D'Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian and Indigenous Studies and Center for Renaissance Studies to comment on the history of Christopher Columbus, the legacy of settler colonialism in the United States, and the continued impact of celebrating Columbus Day.

Columbus Day commemorations usually portray Christopher Columbus as a heroic and peaceful explorer, but historical sources, including Columbus's own letters and journals, tell a different story. In them, we see Columbus immediately resolve to exploit the new lands he reached and their people. They clearly show him relentlessly searching for gold, establishing military footholds throughout the islands, and killing and enslaving Indigenous people. They also show Columbus describing Indigenous people as "good servants" with "no religion," dehumanizing language that invited the Spanish to follow his model of ruthless exploitation with a clear conscience, which they did beginning with his second voyage.

While it may be tempting to think that Columbus's actions were acceptable in the 15th century, even as many of us acknowledge them as wrong today, in fact, they were highly debated at the time, and many criticized his greed and violence.

The history of Columbus's life and the violent birth of settler colonialism in the United States that followed his voyages should be taught as a part of US history in all its complexity, but a holiday honoring his legacy does not enable discussions of encounters between Europeans and Native people. That history must be better understood in order to promote equity and cross-cultural understanding. We encourage those who are concerned about the erasure of history to reflect on the information that Columbus Day obscures. In addition to erasing a history of enslavement, rape, mutilation, and murder, existing narratives that accompany Columbus Day typically marginalize or fail to mention Indigenous people entirely and rarely depict settler-colonial violence.

Despite the atrocities committed by colonizers, Indigenous communities are still here and thriving. In order for us to build a more equitable future for all who live in Cook County, we must center Native voices and reevaluate how we view, talk, teach, and think about the history of Columbus Day. The



Newberry Library is committed to enabling and advancing conversations about the troubling legacies of settler colonialism and slavery and to examining history in all its complexity. We welcome those who are interested in learning more to explore Columbus's letters for themselves, which are available at the Newberry.

We want to thank the Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition and the American Indian and Indigenous People in Cook County for advocating on this issue. In the spirit of community-engaged civic investment, we urge you to let them lead the way as we discuss the future of the second Monday in October.

Sincerely,

Daniel Greene, President and Librarian

Christopher D. Fletcher, Assistant Director, Center for Renaissance Studies

Rose Miron, Director, The D'Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian and Indigenous Studies

Analú María López, Ayer Indigenous Studies Librarian



BYRON SIGCHO-LOPEZ 盧漢士
25TH WARD ALDERMAN (25區區長)

Office of Alderman Byron Sigcho-Lopez
1508 W. 18th Street
Chicago IL. 60608

December 16, 2020

Good morning, President Preckwinkle and Cook County Commissioners,

As Alderperson of the 25th Ward, which is mostly in Commissioner Bill Lowry's District, and a co-sponsor of the City Ordinance to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Chicago, I strongly encourage you to support this resolution (#21-0565).

The vast majority of ALL of your constituents support this holiday name change, Latinx, Black, Asian, Native and White, including many hundreds, probably thousands, of Italian-Americans who know the true history of their great ancestry, which has nothing to do with lies told about Columbus.

Did you know that in 1500, Columbus wrote in his log: "there are plenty of dealers who go about looking for girls; those from ages nine to ten are now in demand." I DO NOT want any children in Cook County learning about Columbus as a "hero" when he sold young girls into sexual slavery.

We need to remember Columbus never set foot on what is now America and he did not "discover" the new world. Millions of Indigenous peoples were inhabiting the lands hundreds of years before his 1492 lost voyage. Any credit given him should start and stop with his sailing achievements only. Columbus was the beginning of the trans-Atlantic slave trade. Any Cook County Commissioner in favor of Juneteenth, and who stands for racial equity MUST vote in favor of this resolution.

History has whitewashed Columbus' enslavement, rape, mutilation and murder of Indigenous People and promotes the myth he was a noble explorer. He was far from noble if one reads his own journals which outline his cruelty and violence to the Indigenous population. Most classrooms did not and still do not teach the destruction of settler-colonialism starting with and following his voyages.

It's time for the myth of Columbus to end as well as the holiday in his name. His encounters with Indigenous peoples were not respectful, peaceful, Christian or noble. The erasure of Indigenous peoples and the start of their genocide begins with Columbus and no one like him should be honored or immortalized.

Please stand with me and my 11 fellow Alderpeople who've co-sponsored this ordinance for Chicago, the thousands of Cook County residents, and over 70 organizations who have signed on thus far in calling for the renaming of Columbus Day as Indigenous Peoples' Day for 2021.

Sincerely,

Alderman Byron Sigcho-Lopez

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Barbara Hernandez
STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 83rd DISTRICT

March 15th, 2021

Cook County Board of Commissioners
118 N. Clark St. Suite 567
Chicago, IL 60602

To Whom It May Concern,

I, State Representative Barbara Hernandez, am writing to you in support of the proposal to formally change the name of the holiday currently titled "Columbus Day" and renaming it to "Indigenous Peoples' Day". I have supported this change in the Illinois legislature as a co-sponsor Rep. Ramirez's House Bill 5533, am formally encouraging Cook County to help lead the charge on enacting this change.

Columbus never set foot in the Americas at all, having sailed around between several islands in the Caribbean Sea instead. As such, American education too often describes Columbus as the beginning of American history, thereby ignoring the rich history of those that were here before. Moving away from the holiday named "Columbus Day" and instead transitioning to "Indigenous Peoples' Day" we can begin to highlight those that lived on these lands before us, and the changes they were forced to undergo as European settlers arrived.

It should be stated that this push to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is not anti-Italian, as there are many Italian-Americans that are deserving of better recognition for what they have been able to provide to this country.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Hernandez".

Barbara Hernandez
State Representative of the 83rd District

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From: **Charlieklepac** <charlieklepac@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Dec 16, 2020 at 8:58 AM

Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day

To: <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>

Cc: <bill.lowry@cookcountyil.gov>, Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Good morning,

I am a constituent of Commissioner Lowry, and I support Resolution #21-0565 that will be introduced at the December Board Meeting to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your vote also!

As an Italian-American, I say factually that Columbus Day is rooted in fiction and obstruction. Columbus sailed for the kingdom of Spain and served no national purpose or loyalty to Italy, which at the time of Columbus, bared little to no semblance to the nation many of our ancestors emigrated from in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The unification of Italy was not until 1861.

The notion that Columbus exists as an Italian-American/American hero or commemorates Italian nationalism is unfounded and false as the man did not set foot on modern-day American soil but on the Caribbean islands known as the West Indies - also a misnomer based on the false understanding that Columbus had arrived in India, the Asian subcontinent.

Additionally, Columbus never sought the United States but inadvertently arrived in the Caribbean searching for India, further adding to the erroneous construct of Columbus Day serving as an Italian-American/American heritage celebration.

The truth is that Columbus Day serves as a dismal reminder of the horrors of colonization and violent European expansion into the Western Hemisphere. Columbus and his army consisting primarily of mercenaries, pirates, and criminals brutalized the peoples of the Caribbean and made way for the genocide of the Indigenous peoples of North America.

The marginalized population of peoples who are forced to acknowledge this day, not of peace but of violence and ignorance, need to be heard and Columbus Day must be stricken from our recognized holiday list.

Instead, the very people who suffered because of men like Columbus need to be acknowledged and celebrated for their contribution to this nation. The indigenous peoples must be respected, heard, and celebrated.

A vote and change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day is a good start.

Sincerely,

Charles Maiorca Klepac

From: [Tim Baffoe](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Change to Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:50:57 PM

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Hello,

I ask this as a voter and an Italian-American: please change the name of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. It is well past time, and it is one of the bare minimums of decency you could show a historically oppressed and marginalized group.

Thank you.

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Best,

Tim Baffoe

From: wax1@aol.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:09:58 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to ask you to support the move to change the Columbus Day commemoration to indigenous peoples day. It's long past time that we recognize the first people who stewarded this land and move past the narrative that links America's origins to European colonialism. Columbus Day is not a holiday that has been celebrated since the arrival of Europeans - in fact, it came relatively late as a way of elevating the status of Italian Americans in a country that treated those immigrants poorly. Italian Americans no longer face that level of discrimination, while Native Americans continue to be among our most disadvantaged citizens. It is important that the stories we tell about our country are grounded in truth and it is time to correct our narrative, as well as honor those who came long before most of us.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,

Elaine Waxman

6530 N. Newgard Ave. 2S

Chicago IL 60626

From: bucklkt@yahoo.com
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\); ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Fw: Support Indigenous Peoples Day
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Good afternoon,

I am a constituent of Commissioner Daley and I am reaching out to the entire Cook County Board to make sure you know that I support the resolution to change Columbus Day to indigenous Peoples Day. Below is my message to Commissioner Daley sharing why I think it is important to make this change and right our wrongs.

Please support this resolution. Thank you.

Ken Buckley
Chicago, 60655
773-253-2562

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From: "bucklkt@yahoo.com" <bucklkt@yahoo.com>
To: "john.daley@cookcountyil.gov" <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: "ipd4cps@gmail.com" <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020, 10:13:35 AM CST
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples Day

Commissioner Daley,

As a constituent and Vietnam Vet, I am proud of this generation's activism to create a more equitable and inclusive society and ask you to support the Resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day.

Now is the time for our nation to shift from hate and divisiveness and move towards unity and inclusion. One way this can be done is to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day. Let's take this opportunity to correct our misguided honoring of Christopher Columbus who subjected Indigenous people to enslavement and extreme violence, and instead, celebrate and acknowledge the history and contributions to those who were here first and have made our country, especially in Illinois which is an Algonquin tribe word that actually means "the people."

I appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Ken Buckley
Chicago, 60655
773-253-2652

From: [Kathy Buckley](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\); Sarah E. Dennis](#)
Subject: Fw: Support Resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day
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Hello Cook County Commissioners,

As a resident of Cook County, I wanted to make sure you all know that I support the changing of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day by sharing with you my email below to my Commissioner, John Daley.

Please support the Resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day.

Sincerely,

Kathy Buckley
60655

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From: Kathy Buckley <kathybuckley@yahoo.com>
To: john.daley@cookcountyil.gov <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com <ipd4cps@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020, 01:24:25 PM CST
Subject: Support Resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day

Commissioner Daley,

As a constituent I am reaching out to you today to ask you to support the Resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day.

Let's not continue to whitewash our violent history by honoring Christopher Columbus on this day. We were not taught any of these realities in school back in the 50's and would go so far to say we were

taught "Indians" were bad and "savages" and I want my great grandchildren to grow up in a society that acknowledges and celebrates the contributions of Native Americans, not some genocidal colonial oppressor who didn't even "discover" America.

Illinois was home to many Native American tribes who were decimated or pushed out from their lands; let's honor them today by replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day and teach our next generations a fuller, more accurate history of our nation.

Thank you.

Kathy Buckley
60655

From: [McKensie Mack Group](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [District 10; ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Fwd: Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 9:35:51 AM

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From: McKensie Mack Group <work@mckensiemack.com>
Date: Tue, Nov 10, 2020 at 9:31 AM
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <district10@cookcountyil.gov>

Hello Bridget Gainer

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bridget Gainer, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution that will be introduced at the Nov Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Thoughtfully,

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Leon J. Evans

Administrative Coordinator

work@mckensiemack.com | www.mckensiemack.com

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It's time to go beyond diversity. It's time to redefine relationships.

From: [Maureen Keane](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\); Sarah E. Dennis](#)
Subject: Fwd: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Good afternoon,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Daley and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Please see my reason for support below in my email addressed directly to Commissioner Daley last week.

I hope Cook County residents can also count on your support for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day in Cook County.

Maureen Keane
60655
872-777-1507

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From: **Maureen Keane** <mmkeane70@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Nov 12, 2020 at 9:58 AM
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
To: <john.daley@cookcountyil.gov>
Cc: <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Commissioner Daley,

I am a constituent of yours and I am reaching out to you today to urge you to support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

We are at a moment in time when much healing needs to take place. We should ask ourselves, are we a city/state that honors and celebrates genocide and colonial oppression of our nation's past or is now the time to acknowledge our violent history, confront racism, and recognize and appreciate Indigenous people and their resilience, wisdom and contributions they made to this state?

Our city's name comes from the Potawatomi tribe's name "*Chicaugou*." With Chicago being the third largest urban Native American population in the country with a representation of over one hundred tribal nations, I hope the residents in Cook County can count on your support for the Resolution that will be introduced at the November Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your consideration.

Maureen Keane
Chicago, 60655

From: [Jessica Lee](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: I support Indigenous Peoples Day
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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Luis Arroyo Jr. and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

In Solidarity,

Jessica Olson
She / Her / Hers
Logan Square Solidarity Sundays

From: [Gloria Avalos](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\); ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: In support of Indigenous People's Day
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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Sean Morrison and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Sincerely,
Gloria Avalos

From: [Alicia Reese](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous People's Day
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Thank you,

Rev. Alicia Reese

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Pastor Alicia Reese

Founder/Facilitator, [re]story

Associate Pastor, Trinity Evangelical Covenant Church

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office: 708-422-5111

From: [Tammy Georgiou](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah E. Dennis](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County
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With gratitude,

Tammy Georgiou

Palos Hills

From: [Eleanor Ray](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day Resolution
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Continuing to celebrate Columbus, who set the pattern for European genocide of Indigenous Americans, is a blight on our state and our nation. I hope we can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County.

Best,
Eleanor Ray

From: [Cathy King](#)
To: [District 10](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
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Dear Bridget -

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It is very ***very important to us to honor Indigenous Peoples*** and let the world know that Columbus 'discovered' nothing and in fact was a **murderer** and **rapist**. At the very least we shouldn't honor him. It is hurtful that our society does this, especially a diverse city like Chicago.

Please consider my request to get us out of the time of fake, Western-history based history. **Update the name to Indigenous Peoples Day.**

Thank you very much,
Catherine King, Esq
6133 N Springfield
60639

From: [Rachel Lyons](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Dennis Deer \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Deer, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves."

Rachel Lyons
912 S Bell Ave
Chicago, IL 60612
she/her/hers
rachelyons@gmail.com

From: [Cathy King](#)
To: district10@cookcountil.gov
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:59:46 PM

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Update the name to Indigenous Peoples Day.

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Catherine King, Esq
6133 N Springfield
60639

From: [Lisa Larson](#)
To: [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Hello.

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bridget Degnen, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Best,
Lisa

From: [Marjorie Fritz-Birch](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:52:59 PM

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I would like to voice my firm support to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day. It is time to stop celebrating a man who murdered, enslaved and tortured Indigenous people. A man who never set foot on American soil. We must stop celebrating a lie and teach the true history of our Native Americans. If we can take down Confederate statues and erase Confederate names from buildings, it is imperative that we honor the only true Americans, our original inhabitants.

Thank you,
Marjorie Fritz-Birch
48th Ward
Chicago

From: [Les Begay](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:16:23 PM

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Cook County Board,

As a constituent of District 10 and a Board Member of the American Indian Center of Chicago I'm asking the Cook County Board to adopt Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday of October.

This will honor and acknowledge the original inhabitants of this land as well as the violent history of genocide and removal from thier lands. Adopting this would create and foster diversity, equity and inclusion as policies for the County.

Les Begay (Dine')

American Indian Center of Chicago
Board of Directors
3401 W. Ainslie Ave
Chicago, IL 60625

201-207-0406 Cell

From: [Veronica Garcia](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:57:28 AM

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Good morning!

I'm a constituent of Commissioner John P. Daley, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Have a good Thursday!
Veronica Garcia

From: [Clifton-Soderstrom, Michelle A](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: [jpd4cps@gmail.com](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:04:09 AM

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Sincerely,

Michelle Clifton-Soderstrom, PhD

Dean of Faculty
Professor of Theology & Ethics
Director, [School of Restorative Arts](#)
[North Park Theological Seminary](#)
[Nyvall News & Notes](#)

From: [Les Begay](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sarah Dennis](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples Day-TO BE READ Aloud
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 7:32:36 AM

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Cook County Board,

As a constituent of District 10 and a Board Member of the American Indian Center of Chicago I'm asking the Cook County Board to adopt Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday of October. For over 500 years, Native People across the Western Hemisphere's Indigenous identities have been perpetually erased from the political and cultural landscape and the collective imaginations of Americans. Throughout our society, the erasure and false narrative of Native People is reinforced and normalized with many myths such as the "Disappearing Indian," The Noble Savage," "The Mythical Indian" and Native mascots. Cook County has an opportunity to correct those myths and pay tribute to the contributions of Native people.

This change will honor and acknowledge the original inhabitants of this land and their vibrant cultures both then and today. Native people are here still today despite our erasure from history with a colonized version of history. This is not anti-Italian but it is anti-Columbus and sheds light on the violent history of genocide and the removal of Indigenous peoples from their lands. Adopting this would create and foster diversity, equity and inclusion as policies for Cook County. Adopting Indigenous Peoples Day will celebrate the original inhabitants and honor the ninth largest Urban Native community in the country. Refusing to adopt Indigenous Peoples Day only perpetuates systemic racism and the Cook County Board cannot allow that to continue. This is the Board's opportunity to correct history and exclusively recognize the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples Day in Cook County in perpetuity.

Les Begay (Dine')

American Indian Center of Chicago
Board of Directors
3401 W. Ainslie Ave
Chicago, IL 60625

201-207-0406 Cell

From: [Courtney Reese](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\); ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:48:50 AM

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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Daley, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! As a person with indigenous ancestors, I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Thank you,
Courtney E Reese

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Gabriel Piemonte](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah Dennis](#); [Heather Miller](#); [Les Begay](#); [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Letter of support for Indigenous Peoples Day from the Italian American Heritage Society of Chicago
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 5:08:01 PM
Attachments: [letter of support IAHSC county IPD.pdf](#)

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To Whom It May Concern -

Pasted below and attached please find a copy of our letter supporting the efforts of the American Indian Center and others to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day. Our understanding is that this letter will be read aloud during deliberations. Thank you in advance for your assistance and please contact me for any reason whatsoever.

Gabriel Piemonte

Italian American Heritage Society of Chicago

773-717-2842



November 18, 2020

Dear Cook County Commissioners:

The Italian American Heritage Society of Chicago enthusiastically supports abandoning the cruel and grotesque Columbus Day in favor of Indigenous Peoples Day. We applaud the American Indian Center and the visionary Cook County commissioners who are working to effect this change.

Imagine having to pass statues and observe holidays for a man who enslaved, mutilated, and murdered your ancestors. Imagine a Stalin Day or a Mao Zedong Day or a Hitler Day. These are unthinkable, yet there is no difference between them and the torment we have put indigenous people through for decades with the celebration of Christopher Columbus.

As a group with hundreds of Italian American members countywide, I can assure you that we as a community are by no means unanimous in support of Columbus. The opposite is true. Many if not most of us are embarrassed by this tradition.

The Italian American Heritage Society not only celebrates our culture with workshops, Italian language conversation, and other events, we also seek to bring the image of Italian Americans into the 21st century, and we are proud to be part of a coalition that has worked hard to remove the Columbus statues from Chicago and to make the Columbus Day switch at Chicago Public Schools. This group is now before you seeking to correct this grievous injustice in Cook County.. Please join us in our support of our indigenous brothers and sisters and family.

Gabriel Piemonte
Founder and president
Italian American Heritage Society of Chicago

From: [Adam Claypool](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Date: Saturday, November 21, 2020 5:14:29 PM

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Hello,

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From: [Steve Dennis](#)
To: [District 10; CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Please learn about and hopefully support the call for Indigenous People's Day in Cook County
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:29:55 PM

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Dear Commissioner Gainer and Cook County Board Members.

I support the call to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. There are thousands of Cook County residents who are also in favor of this change as shown by petitions that are being widely shared. Chicago Public Schools is already making great steps and teaching our youth about the Indigenous culture that thrived on the continent before Europeans arrived and also teaching them the truth about Columbus' real motives that led to genocide and the slave trade. As our children grow up celebrating indigenous culture they need to see the same values reflected in their environment and Cook County can play a part in that by also replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. I ask you to meet with those leading the change and talk further with them to learn how you can play a part in making this momentous change.

Regards,

Steve Dennis
IL 60618

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Steve Dennis

cell: 773 984 1126

email: stevedenniseventdesign@gmail.com

folio: stevedenniseventdesign.com

From: [Mayumi](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Kevin Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Please Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:07:48 PM

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Greetings and Salutations!

As a constituent of Kevin Morrison, I formally support updating Columbus Day to the Indigenous Peoples' Day. As a member of the Asian American community, I stand with the Indigenous community on this amazing and historic change. This summer, the majority of Americans agreed that each one of us need to do better when it comes to racism. When we are confronted with it, we must come together to face it.

Organizations like Aunt Jemima, Uncle Ben's, The Cleveland Indians, The Washington Football Team and many others across the country have made great changes to their names and branding that they had previously thought unthinkable. Now I and many thousands of like-minded Cook County residents are looking to you. Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves has the power to help update Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. It's simply the right thing to do.

I hope I can count on you change to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Sincerely,
Mayumi Tiburzi
Schaumburg, IL

From: [Cassie Creswell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Please support the Indigenous Peoples' Day resolution
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:17:25 PM

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Dear Board members:

I'm writing as a Cook County voter and resident to let you know that I firmly support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

I hope that I and the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution that will be introduced at the November Board Meeting to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Sincerely,
Cassie Creswell
5316 S Hyde Park Blvd
Chicago IL 60615

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
Subject: Public Comment - tomorrow - INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:02:48 PM
Attachments: [CPS BoE Nov 18 2020 Jonathan Brooks Cook County.docx](#)

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The Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition would like to respectfully request that the following FOUR Comments be read aloud into the public record (in this order), and the other however many come in...can just be counted...

- 1) Professor Doug Keil, Northwestern University
- 2) Cynthia Soto, UIC's Native American Support Program
- 3) Rev. Jonathan Brooks, Pastor of Caanan Community Church (COMMENTS ATTACHED HERE)
- 4) Gabriel Piemonte, Italian American Heritage Society

PLEASE CONFIRM RECEIPT.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Jonathan Brooks** <brooksjonathan5@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 18, 2020 at 1:53 PM
Subject: Re: COOK COUNTY Public Comment - tomorrow
To: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

This is fine. Go ahead and submit

Jonathan "Pastah J" Brooks
Canaan Community Church
1701 W. Garfield Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60636

www.canaancommunitychurch.org

www.pastahj.com

Facebook.com/PastahJonathan

Twitter/Instagram: @pastahj

Sent from my iPhone (please excuse any typos)

From: [Carol Muskin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Larry Suffredin](#)
Subject: Re: Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 6:11:32 PM

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"Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Suffredin, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

I volunteer at the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian and I know that Mr. Suffredin is a supporter of the Museum who has attended our gala events.

Thanks for supporting this needed change in focus away from Columbus to Indigenous people of this area.

Thanks,

Carol

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Carol Muskin
C-301-518-1597

cmuskin@gmail.com

818 Washington St.
Evanston, IL 60202

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [Matthew DeLeon \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Matthew Jacques \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Lynne Turner \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Laura Lechowicz \(Presidents Office\)](#); [Les Begay](#)
Subject: Re: SPEAKERS/PUBLIC COMMENTS for TODAY re: Indigenous Peoples' Day (these 4-5) ONLY
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 10:52:27 AM

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THANK YOU SOOO MUCH for reading the 5 aloud that we'd hoped you'd read! And announcing you received 50 more. All the ones that have cc'd us we're keeping track of who/how many per Commissioner!

We will strategize with Clinee/Commissioner Johnson soon about next steps.

THANK YOU ALL!!

Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition
(Sarah Dennis)

On Thu, Nov 19, 2020 at 9:01 AM Matthew DeLeon (Secretary to the Board)
<matthew.deleon@cookcountyil.gov> wrote:

We will read all the names of those who have sent letters in support. However, if you can pick three letters for us to read that would be most helpful.



Matthew B. DeLeon

Secretary to the Board of Commissioners and Cook County Historian

Cook County Building

118 North Clark Street, Room 436

Chicago, Illinois 60602

(312) 603-6127

matthew.deleon@cookcountyil.gov

From: Sarah E. Dennis <ipd4cps@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:52 AM

To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board) <cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov>

Cc: Clinee Hedspeth (Board of Commissioners) <Clinee.Hedspeth@cookcountyil.gov>

Subject: SPEAKERS/PUBLIC COMMENTS for TODAY re: Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Good morning!!

We know you've received over 40 e-mails in support of Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Attached are all 4 (or 5 if you're willing/able) that we'd like to be read aloud into the public record (copied and pasted into ONE document, in the order in which we'd like them read):

- 1) Les Begay, Board member at the American Indian Center
 - 2) Cindy Soto, UIC Native American Support Services
 - 3) Rev. Jonathan Brooks, Pastor at Caanan Community Church in Englewood
 - 4) Gabriel Piemonte, Italian American Heritage Society
- (AND IF TIME, Sarah Dennis, Adjunct Professor at UIC)

THANK YOU SO MUCH!! We're SO excited to watch/hear these read aloud...and continue the organizing...as there are THOUSANDS of us who want this change, and the Commissioners will be hearing from their constituents A LOT MORE about this topic in the coming weeks!!

With gratitude,

Sarah E. Dennis, Ph.D.

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [Grace Barter](#)
Cc: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\); District 10](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
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Thank you Grace!!!

On Wed, Nov 18, 2020 at 5:15 PM Grace Barter <gracembarter13@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Gainer, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Thank you in advance,
Grace Barter

Grace Barter
gracembarter13@gmail.com
She/Hers

From: briana@chicagobond.org
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Request to Change Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bill Lowry, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Historical record is clear that Columbus did not discover America, and that he inflicted unspeakable atrocities to the Indigenous people who already lived here. By upholding his holiday, we uphold the violence and pillaging that he represents, and do not properly honor the lives lost to his actions and colonization in the states, which has horrific effects on Native Americans to this day.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Thank you for your consideration.

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Briana Payton
Pronouns: she / her / hers
Policy Fellow, Chicago Community Bond Fund
601 S California
Chicago, IL 60612
Cell: (312) 574-0670

briana@chicagobond.org
www.chicagobond.org

From: [Leigh Kelsey](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: REQUEST: Change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Greetings!

My name is Leigh Kelsey and I'm a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo.

I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Thank you for your time.

Leigh

From: [Sal Campbell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Resolution to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 7:23:26 AM

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Hello.

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Stanley Moore and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who support this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

Thank you,
Sal Campbell

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Clinee Hedspeth \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: SPEAKERS/PUBLIC COMMENTS for TODAY re: Indigenous Peoples" Day (these 4-5) ONLY
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:56:25 AM
Attachments: [11.19.20 IPD Speakers .docx](#)

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Good morning!!

We know you've received over 40 e-mails in support of Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Attached are all 4 (or 5 if you're willing/able) that we'd like to be read aloud into the public record (copied and pasted into ONE document, in the order in which we'd like them read):

- 1) Les Begay, Board member at the American Indian Center
 - 2) Cindy Soto, UIC Native American Support Services
 - 3) Rev. Jonathan Brooks, Pastor at Caanan Community Church in Englewood
 - 4) Gabriel Piemonte, Italian American Heritage Society
- (AND IF TIME, Sarah Dennis, Adjunct Professor at UIC)

THANK YOU SO MUCH!! We're SO excited to watch/hear these read aloud...and continue the organizing...as there are THOUSANDS of us who want this change, and the Commissioners will be hearing from their constituents A LOT MORE about this topic in the coming weeks!!

With gratitude,
Sarah E. Dennis, Ph.D.

From: [Dan Roller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: STRONG SUPPORT FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 5:25:52 PM

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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Britton, and I strongly and fervently support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

With gratitude,

Dan Roller, with Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition

Sent from my iPad

From: [Jenna Markowski](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Scott Britton \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support for Indigenous People's Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Britton, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support as well for the resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Thank you,

Jenna Markowski

From: [Margaret Hagerman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: mdp4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:56:41 PM

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I reside in Commissioner Miller's south suburban district and I support observing and celebrating Indigenous People's Day in lieu of Columbus Day. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Margaret Hagerman
2042 Hagen Lane
Flossmoor, IL
60422
219-228-0356

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Smiles make the world a more beautiful place.

From: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY - update AND my comments
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To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing with the Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition, and know that you've had at least 12 e-mails already from various constituents (and I expect you'll get many more between now and 9am tomorrow)!

We'd like 4 specific ones read aloud tomorrow, and they may not have all come in yet, and we MAY need to switch one of the speakers, if it isn't submitted in time.

So, I'll be writing again first thing in the morning, and cc'ing Clinee who we have been working with at Commissioner Brandon Johnson's office about the 4...and then we're assuming the rest will just be COUNTED. If we're mistaken, and there is time for additional to be read, I can provide names of WHICH ONES, as we'd like to send a certain message (and MINE could be among them)...and there are additional Italian Americans who we'd like to lift up, if there's room...depending on how many OTHER people submit for public comment.

So...aside from those logistics, I'd like you to also count ME as one of the supporters. Here's MY comment:

COOK County and Cook County Forest Preserves should change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day because... This is a growing National movement, since 1992, in which 13 states, 6 counties, over 135 cities/towns, a dozen Universities and school districts, including the Chicago Public Schools, Evanston, Oak Park, Niles Township, and more in Illinois have already made this change. Over 72 million people around the country live in states, cities and counties that recognize Indigenous People's Day. In Cook County, over 7,000 people have signed the petition, and many dozens of organizations which represent many thousands of

constituents. The list of supporting organizations and policy makers has been e-mailed to each Commissioner multiple times, and more organizations are joining everyday!

Cook County should change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day

because... When discussing Columbus, it should be noted that this so-called hero was an invader upon Indigenous lands and caused irreparable damage through the extraction, exploitation and unimaginable acts of physical, mental, and sexual abuse inflicted upon the original inhabitants. Christopher Columbus' Native American slave trade morphed into the trans-Atlantic slave trade by the mid-16th century. Despite the atrocities committed by Columbus and the colonizers, Indigenous communities are still here and thriving. In Cook County alone, the Native population is over 65,000 and home to the sixth largest Urban Native population in the country. By continuing to commemorate Columbus as a hero, we undermine the rich history and diversity that created modern-day Cook County.

This resolution is not Anti-Italian! We have respect and love for our Italian American sisters and brothers, and we know they have been discriminated against in terms of housing, employment, education, health care, in decades past. However, this resolution IS Anti-Columbus. The purpose of this movement is to end the celebration of a man who is responsible for the perpetuation of genocide and the genesis of chattel slavery.

In addition, we have a list of MANY DOZENS of supporters including the following to name JUST A FEW:

the American Indian Center
UIC Native American Support Program
the Chicago Teachers Union
Italian American Heritage Society of Chicago
Native American Chamber of Commerce of Illinois
Black Millennial Renaissance
Pilsen Alliance
CAIR-Chicago (Council on American Islamic Relations)
WE WILL
LSNA - Logan Square Neighborhood Association/Leaders Shaping Neighborhood Action
Arab American Action Network (AAAN)
and
Asian Americans Advancing Justice

PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING FOR COOK COUNTY, and change Columbus Day, a holiday for a rapist murdered who was the beginning of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, to Indigenous Peoples' Day!!

Sincerely,
Sarah E. Dennis, Ph.D. (she/her)
Adjunct Professor of Education at UIC
Anti-Bias/Anti-Racism Trainer
Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition

From: [Ryan O'Donnell](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Bridget Gainer](#); [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day and Abolish "Columbus Day"
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:30:09 PM

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Dear Board of Commissioners:

I hope you all support the resolution changing the holiday known as "Columbus Day" to Indigenous People's Day that is being introduced at this month's board meeting. This is a simple step to correct a heinous symbol of oppression and hate in our county. Let's follow the lead of cities and counties making this progress and the will of the majority of the citizens in this county looking for a more inclusive and considerate society.

As a constituent of the 10th district, I hope Commissioner Gainer will represent her district and its people well by eagerly supporting this action.

Best,

Ryan O'Donnell

On Wed, Nov 11, 2020, 8:29 AM Ryan O'Donnell <ForAllOfUs@usa.com> wrote:
Dear Commissioner Gainer,

I hope your day is starting well.

As a constituent of the 10th district, your district, I implore you to change the holiday known as "Columbus Day," in memorial to an evil, racist murderer, to Indigenous People's Day.

At November's meeting, a resolution will be introduced to accomplish this. Please reply to this email and confirm that you will support the full elimination of "Columbus Day" and the institution of Indigenous People's Day.

Best,

Ryan O'Donnell

From: [Kristin Boza](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day!
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:10:26 PM

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--

Kristin Boza
Writer, Editor
773.230.6588

From: [Paul Marcinkowski](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [Peter Silvestri](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Peter Silvestri, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Peace & blessings,
Paul Marcinkowski

From: [Tracy O'Dowd](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\); Alma Anaya \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:31:41 AM

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Good morning,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Anaya, and I am writing to support celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day in place of Columbus Day. I am asking for your support for the resolution to change the holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and for the Cook County Forest Preserves. Indigenous people have deep roots in this area, and I would love to see more attention given to that history.

Thank you,
Tracy O'Dowd

From: [Colin Higgins](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [District 10](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Gainer, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

With gratitude,

Colin, with Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition

From: [Carmen García](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Cook County Board and Commissioner Daley.

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Daley, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Please take this important action during this month, which is designated as Native American Heritage Month. The legacy of Columbus is tainted with violence and injustice and it must be renamed to honor the survival of Indigenous peoples.

Best,

Carmen Garcia

From: [Jennifer Ciok](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day
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Good afternoon,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Silvestri, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Columbus should not be celebrated in this way, as he was not the founder of this land, nor did he treat the people well when he did arrive. It is far more important to recognize the peoples who have been here and whose history many have tried to systematically erase over hundreds of years.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

With gratitude,

Jen Ciok

From: [Abby Greaney](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [District 10](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Gainer and I'd like to express my support for changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I'm hoping to count on your support for the resolution to change the name. It is a necessary step in the process we face as a nation of coming to terms with our past and recognizing the harm that we caused to the indigenous communities of this land.

There are thousands of residents who support this change and I urge you to hear their voices. Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves should recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day, giving them the honor they deserve.

Sincerely,

Abby Greaney
Cook County Resident

From: [Scott Kibler](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples" Day
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Hello,

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Scott Kibler

From: [debz](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [cookcty9@cookcountyil.gov](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore1 \(Unknown\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Thank you for your time,
Deborah E. Kaczorowski

From: [Lily Elderkin](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo, to whom I wrote about this issue last week. I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day, along with many thousands of other Cook County residents. I hope you will honor the voices of your constituents to change the name of the Columbus Day Holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Thank you.

Lily Elderkin, with the Indigenous Peoples' Day Coalition

From: [Ashley Jurek](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah E. Dennis](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES" DAY
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Hi,

My name is Ashley and I would like to say that I think we need to change Christopher Columbus Day to indigenous peoples day. I think that this would be a positive change, considering that indigenous people have been pushed to the side for everything. To think that they have to see people celebrating a day where someone came over and caused destruction, is sad. Please consider changing the name of the holiday. You may not support people getting rid of statues, but I don't see why someone wouldn't support this. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

Thank you,
Ashley

From: [Rob Blumstein](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
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Best,
Robert

From: [Laura Fairbank](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day
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Hello,

I am a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change, like myself, can count on your support for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous People's Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Sincerely,

Laura Fairbank

From: [Marie Winnick](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah E. Dennis](#); [District 10](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); luisarroyo@cookcountyl.gov; [Peter Silvestri](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
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Dear Cook County Board:

I hope you are well, all things considered. I am from the city of Chicago, and I am a second-generation bilingual Sicilian American. Assuming the meeting is still on for tomorrow, I would like to implore you to please vote in favor of giving the second Monday in October to the Native Americans.

We do not need Columbus Day, even though some Italians in Chicago falsely believe that we do. **Us Italians need to invent a better holiday to celebrate our heritage that doesn't involve Christopher Columbus.** He was a mediocre sailor and leader, on top of having killed millions of Indigenous people in the Caribbean, raping and enslaving many more, and never even setting foot on the mainland. Again, we need a better holiday to celebrate our heritage.

Also, there are 65,000 Native Americans living in Chicago who come from many of the 574 federally recognized tribes all over the United States. They are university professors, schoolteachers, entrepreneurs, students, engineers, doctors, contractors, manufacturers, and everything else you can think of. Chicago was originally the territory of the Anishinaabe.

Their cultures have endless wisdom to teach, and they also know how to have a good time. There are also many Native vets who have fought for America. **All of Chicago would benefit** from having a designated day to celebrate with them. They are absolutely right to demand Indigenous People's Day and we have no right to try to deny it to them.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Kind regards,

Marie L. Winnick
Spanish and Italian > English
Translations and Transcriptions
Chicago, IL, USA
Phone +1 (773) 470-9917
marie@mlwlanguage.com
mlwlanguage@gmail.com(secondary)
www.mlwlanguage.com

From: [william beaulieu](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous People's Day
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With gratitude,

William Beaulieu
Oak lawn Il

From: [Louise Cloutier](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Bridget Degnen \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: support indigenous people's day
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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bridget Degnen, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day.

I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Sincerely,
Louise Cloutier
5315 N. Kimball Ave, Chicago



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From: [sophie lipman](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [District 10](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:28:49 PM

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sophie lipman
community arts organizer
847.351.3038
sophie-lipman.com
she/her

From: [Samantha Pellegrino](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah Dennis](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 3:19:15 PM

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Hello there,

My name is Samantha Pellegrino, and I'm a constituent of Commissioner Gainer. I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Thank you, and with all my best,

Samantha Pellegrino
5047 N Glenwood Ave #3
Chicago IL 60640

From: [Bethany Beaver](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [ipd4cps@gmail.com](#); [District 10](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 7:19:55 PM

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With gratitude,

Bethany Beaver

From: [Jessica Valencia](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 5:23:00 PM

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Hello. I'm a constituent of Commissioner Bridget Gainer from District 10, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

Thank you

From: [Grace Barter](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [District 10; ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 5:15:49 PM
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Thank you in advance,
Grace Barter

Grace Barter
gracembarter13@gmail.com
She/Hers

From: [Sean Kase](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Sarah E. Dennis](#); [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Stanley Moore \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Deborah Sims \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Donna Miller \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Peter Silvestri](#); [District 10](#); [John Daley \(Board of Commissioners\)](#); [Sean Morrison \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Arroyo Jr., and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support for the resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves.

Sincerely,

Sean Kase
3524 W Lyndale St
Chicago, IL 60647
312.369.9537

From: [Charlieklepac](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: [Bill Lowry \(Board of Commissioners\); ipd4cps@gmail.com](#)
Subject: Support Indigenous Peoples' Day
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 8:41:24 PM

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Hello,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Lowry, and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day! I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support also for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!

Sincerely,

Charles Klepac

From: [Shelley Miller](#)
To: [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)
Cc: ipd4cps@gmail.com; [Luis Arroyo Jr \(Board of Commissioners\)](#)
Subject: SUPPORT INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2020 12:51:10 AM

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Dear Cook County Board of Commissioners,

I'm a constituent of Commissioner Luis Arroyo, Jr., and I support changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. It is beyond time for our county and community to honor the Indigenous peoples on whose unceded land we're all living. Further, it is imperative for us to acknowledge the harmful colonial legacy of Columbus and other colonizers in the history of our country. I hope the many thousands of residents in Cook County who are supportive of this change can count on your support for the Resolution to change the name of the Columbus Day holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day for Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserves!"

With gratitude,

Shelley Miller