

## **UA Staff Alliance**

## Resolution 2017-04

## In Support of Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day at the University of Alaska

*Whereas:* The State of Alaska Legislature passed HB78 "An act establishing the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day" permanently for the State of Alaska; and

*Whereas:* The Board of Regents' mission statement reads, "The University of Alaska inspires learning and advances and disseminates knowledge through teaching....emphasizing the North and its diverse people"; and

*Whereas:* The Coalition of Student Leaders unanimously passed Resolution 2017-05 Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day throughout the University of Alaska.

*Whereas:* The UA Faculty Alliance unanimously passed Resolution 2017-08 In Support of Indigenous Peoples' Day; and

*Whereas:* The UAS Faculty Senate Diversity Committee and the UAS Faculty Senate unanimously passed a Resolution Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day throughout the University of Alaska System; and

*Whereas:* The University of Alaska, with the guidance of Alaska Native peoples and their traditional ways of being and languages, has the opportunity to demonstrate the value of Indigenous peoples' history and culture to the institution of higher education by formally recognizing a day in their honor.

*Therefore Be It Resolved:* UA Staff Alliance supports recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day across the university system annually on the second Monday of October; and

*Be It Further Resolved:* All campuses will collaborate with local tribes on coordinating culturally relevant events related to history of place, culture and language; and

*Be It Further Resolved:* This resolution will be distributed to the UA Board of Regents, the UA President, and each of the University Chancellors.

## Adopted by the Staff Alliance on the 3rd day of May 2017.

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Nate Batter, Chair Staff Alliance