

**Introduced by: Councilmember Seamens**

**RESOLUTION 2010-67**

**RECOGNIZING AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH  
AND AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY**

**WHEREAS,** American Indians and other Native Americans have enjoyed and endured a very long and memorable history living upon the lands we now know as Montgomery County, the State of Maryland, and the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** when we reflect on the great heritage of the nation's Native peoples, we must not lose sight of our shared history; and

**WHEREAS,** groups such as the Navajo Codetalkers, who were crucial to our victory in the Pacific during World War II, have been invaluable contributors to our common heritage in every field of human endeavor, such as the arts, sciences, politics, humanities and public service, adding immeasurably to the strength and character of our nation's civilization; and

**WHEREAS,** Governor Martin O'Malley signed House Bill 83 creating the Friday after Thanksgiving as a State Holiday, naming it "American Indian Heritage Day."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of Takoma Park hereby proclaims the day after Thanksgiving (November 26, 2010) to be

*American Indian Heritage Day*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Council recognizes November 2010 as

*American Indian Heritage Month*

and encourages all residents to join us in recognizing and appreciating the valuable contributions of American Indians and other Native Americans.

**Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010**



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**Bruce R. Williams**  
Mayor