

TOWN OF MEDWAY

NATIVE AMERICAN & INDIGENOUS PEOPLES NATIONAL HERITAGE COMMEMORATION DAY

ESTABLISHMENT OF A STEERING COMMITTEE

A. MEMBERSHIP

The Select Board shall establish a Native American & Indigenous Peoples National Heritage Commemoration Day Committee (hereinafter referred to as Committee) to be comprised of nine (9) individuals residing in and being registered voters of the Town of Medway. The composition of the Committee shall be:

- 1) Representative of Select Board
- 2) Representative of School Committee
- 3) Representative of Medway Historical Commission
- 4) Representative of Medway Public Library Trustees
- 5) Representative of Cultural Council
- 6) Four (4) Citizens At-Large

The representatives need not be members of the committees/boards listed above but shall be chosen by a majority vote of said committee/board and forwarded to the Select Board for appointment consideration.

The Members of the Committee shall serve an initial term of two (2) years to develop the program and present same to the Select Board. The Committee shall meet at designated dates, times and locations that are convenient to its members as well as promoting public participation.

B. CHARGE

The Committee shall be responsible for the development, promotion and stewardship of a plan and program to commemorate and educate the National Heritage of Native Americans and Indigenous Peoples, with particular emphasis on and attention to the history of said individuals and groups throughout history here in Medway. The expectation is the creation of a day-long event, to be held annually in the month of _____, that educates members of the Community as to the history of these peoples, honors their sacrifices made through the course of American History, and celebrates their gifts and contributions to our Nation, our Commonwealth, and our Community for over 400 years. To accomplish this, the Committee will be tasked with researching the topic fully and presenting a recommended program to the Select Board. This shall be delivered not later than August 15, 2022 to allow for sufficient time to promote the event.

C. MEETINGS PROTOCOL

All meetings are to be held in a public location, properly posted and open to the public in accordance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law. Minutes of each meeting shall be prepared and approved by the Committee within thirty (30) days of any meeting and distributed to the Select Board. Meetings shall, to the greatest degree possible, be televised.

March, 7, 2022

Select Board Approved: March 7, 2022