

Please vote to designate the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day. Let's join 11 other states who have written this into law.

This will honor the Indigenous peoples of this land now known as Oregon. It will help set the story straight since no one could "discover" these lands already inhabited by people for millennia prior to the arrival of Christopher Columbus. As has already been said by others, renaming this holiday will be a re-education in itself for the generations of schoolchildren who have been taught misinformation about this day and this explorer. His arrival was just the beginning of generations of atrocities wrought upon Indigenous peoples.

Please vote in favor of House Bill 2526 to celebrate Indigenous peoples. As an Indigenous person myself and as a registered voter who votes, I hope that you will cast your vote for establishing Indigenous Peoples Day.