## **RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 9, 2023, AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Scappoose acknowledges the rich history of this land, which has been inhabited by the indigenous Peoples for countless generations, including the Indigenous tribes of the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scappoose recognizes the enduring presence and contributions of Indigenous Peoples to our community and the nation as a whole; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the injustices and hardships faced by Indigenous Peoples throughout history, including forced removal from ancestral lands and efforts to assimilate their cultures; and

WHEREAS, we believe in the importance of self-reflection, truth, and accountability in addressing this history and working together with Indigenous Nations towards a better future for all; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scappoose proudly joins the growing number of cities and towns across the United States in recognizing the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day, providing an opportunity to reflect upon, learn about, and celebrate the resiliency and enduring presence of Indigenous Peoples in our community; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Joe Backus, Mayor of the City of Scappoose, along with the members of the Scappoose City Council, hereby recognize (DATE) as Indigenous Peoples' Day and encourage all residents to honor and respect the Indigenous Peoples of our community, both past and present, who have enriched our city with their history, culture, and contributions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Scappoose, to be affixed. Done at City Hall in the City of Scappoose, Oregon, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

**CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON** 

Mayor Joseph A. Backus

Attest:

City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC