

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF POMONA COLLEGE



A Resolution To Institutionally Recognize Indigenous People's Day

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WHEREAS, the current Pomona College academic calendar does not acknowledge the second Monday of October as Indigenous People's Day, **AND**

WHEREAS, students, faculty, and staff at the intersections have had and will presumably continue to have cause to demonstrate in order to ensure Indigenous tribes arrival to the Americas and the history of colonization that followed. We express solidarity with and participate in national and international movements for justice, in response to campus erasure, and in order to call for change; **AND**,

WHEREAS, a number of other institutions of higher learning in the United States, including Pitzer College, Stanford University, Yale University, Brown University, Cornell University, Hamilton College, and Occidental College do recognize Indigenous People's Day; **AND**,

WHEREAS, five U.S. States formally do not celebrate Columbus Day, and 39 U.S. cities have passed legislation to celebrate Indigenous People's Day in lieu of Columbus Day; **AND**,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Senators of the Associated Students of Pomona College request a coordinated effort with College administration to recognize the second Monday of October as Indigenous People's Day in the place of Columbus Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Columbus Day is removed from the academic calendar distributed to students at the start of the academic year, and all other official documents.