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SUBJECT: Community Invited to Indigenous People's Day and Annual Feast and Forum Events

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[Duluth, MN] - The Duluth Indigenous Commission invites the public to two special events to recognize and raise awareness of Indigenous people's culture, contributions and current issues in our community. On Monday, October 9 at Noon in Priley Gardens, outside of Duluth City Hall, there will be a ceremony to commemorate Indigenous People's Day. A Mayoral Proclamation will be issued following remarks by community leaders. In the case of inclement weather, the event will move to the great hall on the first floor of City Hall.

A second event will take place on Thursday, October 12, where the public is invited to the annual Feast and Forum to be held at 5:30 PM in the Dr. Robert Powless Cultural Center (AICHO/Trepanier Hall), 212 W. Second St. in downtown Duluth. This yearly celebration is open to the public from 5:30 pm-9:00 pm where attendees can bring a dish to share and discuss the most serious issues facing our Indigenous community today. The topics will deal with issues affecting Native youth today—primarily in educational disparity and opioid addiction. Both events are free and open to the public.

About the Indigenous Commission:

The Indigenous Commission (previously known as the American Indian Commission) works to ensure that the views of the Indigenous Community are incorporated in the decision-making, future planning, and stewardship of the city of Duluth; it endeavors to act as a guide in the development of public policy, planning and services so that the Indigenous Community is adequately represented in these processes and also works to increase understanding and acceptance of the Indigenous Community and culture.

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OCTOBER 12, 2017
5:30PM TO 9:00PM



FEAST AND FORUM

Facing the Issues Affecting our Youth

The Duluth Indigenous Commission invites you to the annual Feast and Forum to be held this year on Thursday, October 12 at the Dr. Robert Powless Cultural Center (AICHO/Trepanier Hall), 212 W. Second St. in Duluth. This yearly celebration is open to the public from 5:30pm-9:00pm where we will share food—please bring a dish—and discuss the most serious issues facing our Indigenous Community today. The topics will deal with issues affecting our Native Youth today—primarily in educational disparity and opioid addiction.



**2017 Annual Feast
and Forum**

**Share Food, Prayer
and Wisdom**

**Issues Affecting our
Youth Today:**

**Disparity in
Educational
Achievement of our
Native Children**

**Opioid Epidemic
affecting Native
Youth and Young
Adults**

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