

## ***PROCLAMATION***

### **National American Indian Heritage Month**

***WHEREAS***, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and

***WHEREAS***, the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today; and

***WHEREAS***, their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and

***WHEREAS***, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month; and

***WHEREAS***, in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational and historical activities have been planned.

***NOW THEREFORE***, the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, hereby proclaims the month of November as

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in the Town of Fort Myers Beach, and urge all our citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Given under my hand and the seal of the office of the Mayor this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

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Alan Mandel, Mayor