



The City of Minneapolis

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

**By Cano, Bender, Frey, Glidden, Goodman, Gordon,
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Honoring Indigenous Mexican Community and Proclaiming Mexica New Year, Yei Akatl Day in Minneapolis.

Whereas, in this Gregorian year 2015, the indigenous Mexican peoples will end the year Ome Tochtli and begin the year Yei Akatl and the Mexica New Year occurred on March 12, 2015 at approximately 12:45 pm (CST); and

Whereas, indigenous Mexican peoples have pre-colonial and contemporary relationships with Native American and other indigenous peoples of the City of Minneapolis that are based on mutual respect, the sharing of traditions, and the practice of preserving a sustainable Mother Earth for future generations; and

Whereas, indigenous Mexican peoples have advanced indigenous rights, including the dignity to revitalize, use, develop, and transmit to future generations their elders' and ancestral teachings, histories, languages, oral traditions, philosophies, arts, writing systems and literatures; and

Whereas, indigenous Mexican peoples and other indigenous peoples in Minneapolis / St. Paul practice their cultural traditions and customs, while maintaining, protecting and developing past, present and future manifestations of indigenous cultures, ceremonies, technologies, visual and performing arts and literature; and

Whereas, indigenous Mexican youth and other indigenous Dreamers, exhibit an eminent pride in their heritage, a passionate love of family and community, and a profound devotion to education through their indigenous mazehual teachings of respect, service, gratitude and integrity, contributing to scholarship in science, medicine, arts, history, literature, and participatory democracy to ensure the well-being, enjoyment and safety of our diverse communities and to create harmony in our great City; and

Whereas Kalpulli Yaocenoxtli provides life-long learning opportunities based on traditional Mexica Nahua teachings and culture complimenting the rich diversity of the City of Minneapolis, and dedicates their work to advance harmony with other Mexica Azteca kalpullis and groups and indigenous peoples by celebrating and honoring the observance of Mexica New Year, Yei Akatl Day in Minneapolis.

Whereas, Kalpulli Yaocenoxtli and the broader indigenous Mexican community in Minneapolis are inviting their friends and allies to gather and celebrate Yei Akatl with a family focused celebration featuring cultural art, music, performances, and a community feast Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That March 12, 2015, is recognized as Mexica New Year in the City of Minneapolis.

Be It Further Resolved that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Minneapolis recognize and celebrate the richness and diversity of the Indigenous Mexican Community and urge the community to join the celebration of Mexica New Year at East Phillips Cultural and Community Center.

Passed, March 20, 2015

Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:

Betsy Hodges, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Carl, City Clerk