

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

October 12, 2010

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Jerry D. Weast, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: American Indian Heritage Month—November 2010

WHEREAS, The President of the United States has proclaimed “National American Indian Heritage Month” to be observed in November to recognize and celebrate the numerous contributions, accomplishments, and sacrifices of American Indians during our country’s history; and

WHEREAS, American Indians are noted for their vital role during World War II, when they served in the United States military as code talkers who were able to communicate sensitive military messages, which helped thwart enemy offensives, protected the homeland, and saved countless lives; and

WHEREAS, American Indians have strengthened the fabric our nation in their positions as entrepreneurs, spiritual leaders, scholars, members of the armed services and by their contributions in the fields of politics, law, education, medicine, science, business, family life, community service, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, American Indians continue to prosper and expand their influence on American society because of a rich legacy of caring for the people, the land, and the environment of our great nation; and

WHEREAS, American Indians comprise a thriving presence in Montgomery County and add to the cultural mosaic of the community; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education and the superintendent of schools hereby declare the month of November 2010 to be observed in Montgomery County Public Schools as “American Indian Heritage Month.”

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