

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2019 Legislative Session**

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**Reference No.:** CB-8-2019

**Draft No.:** 2

**Committee:** GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND FISCAL POLICY

**Date:** 6/27/19

**Action:** FAV/A

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**REPORT:** Favorable as amended 4-0: Council Members Davis, Dernoga, Anderson-Walker and Streeter

The Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee convened on June 27, 2019 to review CB-8-2019 which seeks to recognize the history, culture, and accomplishments of Native Americans in Prince George's County and across the nation by renaming Columbus Day to Native American Day in Prince George's County.

Section 16-219 of the Prince George's Code sets forth holidays for employees who are employed by the County and CB-8-2019 will amend that section of the Code to delete Columbus Day and insert in lieu thereof Native Americans Day.

The Committee enjoyed a robust discussion about CB-8-2019 and was joined by Mr. Rico Newman who represented the Piscataway Convoy Tribe. All expressed strong support for this measure. A letter of support from Mr. Francis Grey on behalf of the Piscataway Conoy Tribe was also entered into the record.

Staff recommended that the bill should be amended to add Native American Day to Code Section 1-106.03(d) in a Draft 2.

The Office of Law finds CB-8-2019 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

The Office of Audits and Investigations reports that the enactment of CB-8-2019 should not have an adverse fiscal impact on the County.

After discussion, the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee voted CB-8-2019, out favorably, as amended, 4-0.