

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Lawrence, Kansas

WHEREAS: Originally established as the United States Indian Industrial Training School in 1884 as a boarding school, and evolving into a post high school, vocational-technical institution in 1935, Haskell began offering Junior college curriculum and became Haskell Indian Junior College in 1970; and

WHEREAS: Haskell Indian Nations University was established in 1993, currently representing over 130 federally recognized tribes from throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: Haskell is a unique and diverse intertribal university committed to the advancement of sovereignty, self-determination, and the inherent rights of tribes; and

WHEREAS: Haskell will hold its alumni homecoming events October 13 and 14, and its Lawrence community event, "Experience Haskell", on Saturday, October 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in recognition of Haskell's significance to Indigenous communities and in recognition of its place within and connection to the City of Lawrence; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lawrence recognizes its long and historic relationship with indigenous peoples of Lawrence celebrated Indigenous People's Day on Monday, October 9.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leslie Soden, Mayor of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9 - 14, 2017 as

HASKELL INDIAN NATIONS UNIVERSITY WEEK

in the City of Lawrence.

Leslie Soden, Mayor

October 10, 2017