

VFW Celebrates National Native American Heritage Month

America's 'First People' made significant and lasting contributions to the nation

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WASHINGTON — The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) is proud to celebrate our nation's Native American service members and veterans, and their families throughout the month of November – National Native American Heritage Month.

For centuries, the tribes of the first people to inhabit the lands of this continent lived together in a multi-state government known as the Iroquois Confederacy. The concept of separate nations forming one sovereign nation while still maintaining their own self-rule would become one of the major influences in framing the Constitution. Without this idea that different groups of people can govern themselves individually and yet still can come together as one, the United States of America would not be what it is today.

Since the American Revolution, Native Americans have fought and died in our nation's wars. We would not be able to enjoy the freedoms bestowed upon us today if it were not for their many sacrifices. They have showed us just how important this land is, how we must preserve it, and how much it's worth fighting for.

Throughout the month of November, the VFW asks you to join us in celebrating Native American's proud culture and heritage, immeasurable contributions to our society, and invaluable service to our nation.

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