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October 08, 2021, The White House has issued a Presidential Proclamation commemorating Indigenous Peoples' Day—to honor and uphold the inherent sovereignty of our Tribal Nations. While this Proclamation reminds us of our impact, our resilience, and our strength as Native American communities throughout time, we recognize the United States' statement to, "recommit to supporting a new, brighter future of promise and equity for Tribal Nations". With this, the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma headquarters will be closed on Monday, October 11, 2021, in celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day. For the persistent impact we have made with our ever-diverse cultures, our languages, our traditions, and our endurance as Tribal Nations will be acknowledged and celebrated with deep rooted respect for the generations of those who have paved our way to this day.

"On Indigenous Peoples' Day, we honor America's first inhabitants and the Tribal Nations that continue to thrive today. I encourage everyone to celebrate and recognize the many Indigenous communities and cultures that make up our great country." (A Proclamation on Indigenous Peoples' Day, 2021, Presidential Actions).

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