

Hi Ya Hee (Hi. / Greetings.)

"First we were Spirits, and then we were human beings."

The birth of any people, most especially their societies, institutions, and nations, is a time to be remembered and honored.

1. To remember that one hundred thousand and more years ago, all these lands of the western hemisphere, were owned, settled, occupied, by millions of Native First People.
2. To remember that there were cities, villages, farmlands, highways, trade, commerce, science, inventions, plus dental, medical, mathematical, architectural, and engineering technologies.
3. To remember that the oldest forms of democracy, constitutional and civic authorities, schools, universities, and great libraries of learning, all of which mark societies of high civilizations, existed before the coming of the European.
4. To remember that one half the total agricultural food supply of the world is Native First People "Indian" in origin, and that such products as;- Cocoa=Chocolate, chewing gum, the rubber ball and most rubber products, corn, potatoes, tomatoes (Pizza is Native in origin), beans, nuts, pumpkins, squash, and 2,000 different plants for food, medicine, or commerce, were known and used by the original Native People first and contributed to the patrimony of the entire planet.
5. To remember that all the lands north and south, east and west, above and below this Great Mother Homeland Continent now provides the werewithal, the mineral wealth, and the recreation and living space for all the present residents.
6. To remember that in less than 500 years, every inch of land has been removed from the once sovereign independence and control of the First People and their Nations.
7. To remember that Native First People enjoyed the ultimate in FREEDOM, and that the present residents aspire to gain some of those freedoms as their "ultimate quest for human dignity within the constrictions and limitations of every new law. Laws define what "Liberty" is and how its attendant "Freedoms" are to be exercised.
8. To remember that the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts, was erected by European visitors on Native lands, and that they considered it their "Manifest Right" to invade, conquer, subdue, convert, control, and seize dominion over the land and First People, - and that the City of Cambridge, today nurtures, blesses, and provides an atmosphere for scholarly, corporate, and personal aspirations.
9. To remember all these things, and to honor the original Native First People and their First Nations, and in gratitude for all that they have contributed to the wealth, peace, prosperity, and happiness of the current residents on their ancient Homelands, and to remember that the history of Cambridge is the continuing history of all the people today, and that the destinies of the more ancient and the current newer cultures, have been woven into a new and vibrant mosaic of understanding.
10. It is requested that the name of the "Charles" River forever be changed to an ancient Native First People name.....

Kwa Na Ha Nee

...which means, "Site of the waters, Great Mother Homeland, place of the birth of all Native First People and First Nations, the Turtle Island."
July, 1982. In the name of the past, the present, and the future.

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Comm. from Paul E. Healy, City Clerk, transmitting comm. from Prof. Fox Tree, Co-Leader of the Millennia Celebration of Native First People Re: request that the name of the Charles River be changed to "Kwa Na Ha Hee".

*Copy sent to the City Manager 8/6/82
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In City Council,

August 2, 1982

*Referred to the
-City Manager-*