



COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 5171

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF EUGENE'S SUPPORT OF
THE STANDING ROCK SIOUX TRIBE'S OPPOSITION TO THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE.**

PASSED: 6:0

REJECTED:

OPPOSED:

ABSENT: Zelenka, Syrett

CONSIDERED: September 26, 2016



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The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

A. The City of Eugene, Oregon, built upon the traditional homelands of the Kalapuya People, honors the inherent sovereignty of the nine federally recognized Tribal Nations in the State of Oregon, as well as the sovereignty of indigenous peoples everywhere.

B. On March 14, 2016, the City Council passed Resolution No. 5148, declaring the second Monday of each October as Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Eugene as an opportunity to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of Indigenous Peoples of our region.

C. The proposed Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) is a 1,168-mile, 30-inch diameter pipeline being developed by Energy Transfer Partners and its affiliates, which would carry as much as 570,000 barrels per day of Bakken crude from western North Dakota to Illinois.

D. The DAPL would run across or beneath 209 rivers, creeks and tributaries, including the Missouri River, which provides drinking water and irrigates agricultural land in communities across the Midwest, serving nearly 10 million people.

E. The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration has documented a yearly average of 560 pipeline leaks, ruptures and other serious incidents spanning the last 20 years.

F. The DAPL would also run through the ancestral lands and waters reserved for the traditional use of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe by the treaty of Fort Laramie, including the Missouri River, burial grounds and gravesites, and other sacred sites of cultural, religious and historical significance.

G. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers failed to consult with or obtain the free, prior and informed consent of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe as required by the Treaty of Fort Laramie and by Executive Order 13175 before issuing a "Mitigated Finding of No Significant Impact" that would result in an easement for horizontal drilling for the DAPL.

H. The City Councils of Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota; the Northwest Affiliated Tribes comprised of 59 Nations; and nearly 200 other indigenous Nations in the U.S. and Canada, are among the governmental bodies that have taken formal action to support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and oppose the DAPL.

NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUGENE, a
Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, as follows:**

Section 1. The City Council declares its support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's opposition to the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) across the Tribe's ancestral lands, waters and sacred sites.

Section 2. The City Council calls upon the United States and the Army Corps of Engineers to obtain the free, prior and informed consent of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe before taking any action regarding the DAPL that would harm the Tribe's ancestral lands, waters and sacred sites.

Section 3. The City Council proclaims that October 10, 2016, this year's Indigenous People's Day in the City of Eugene, will commemorate and support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

Section 4. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council.

The foregoing Resolution adopted the 26th day of September, 2016.

Beth Lourest

City Recorder