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Proclamation	
Office of the County Commission PROCLAMATION For Douglas County, Kansas	
WHEREAS: Food embodies the relationships between humans, plants and animals of Mother Earth and serves an indispensible social, cultural, and nutritional function for humankind; and,	
WHEREAS: Douglas County and the surrounding environs continue to be a source of nutritious local foods- both wild and cultivated; and	
WHEREAS: The communities within Douglas County support a thriving farmer's market, a wide variety of local and regional farmers and food producers, and acknowledge their contributions	
WHEREAS: The United Nation Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) indicate that over one billion people in the world are going hungry, over 80% of whom are food producers and the major	
WHEREAS: Douglas County is home to Haskell Indian Nations University and is attended by Indigenous Peoples of the forty-eight contiguous states of the U.S. and Alaska - each with their	
WHEREAS: One of the greatest gifts the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas offered to those who arrived on their shores 500 years ago was food.	
NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Kansas, hereby proclaims Saturday, October 22, 2011 as	
INDIGENOUS FOOD DAY	
In Douglas County, Kansas and recognizes the Haskell Indigenous Food Festival as Douglas County's co	ontribution to the first ever National Food Day activities.
ADOPTED this 12th day of October, 2011.	
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