



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 550**

January Session, 2023

Substitute House Resolution No. 8

*House of Representatives, April 12, 2023*

The House Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. BLUMENTHAL of the 147th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute resolution ought to be adopted.

***RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THAT ALL LAND IN CONNECTICUT WAS ONCE NATIVE AMERICAN TERRITORY.***

Resolved by this House:

1 WHEREAS, all land in Connecticut was once Native American  
2 territory; and

3 WHEREAS, it is our duty to acknowledge that, as the state's land-  
4 grant institution, The University of Connecticut exists on what was once  
5 Native American land; and

6 WHEREAS, it is important to understand the long-standing history  
7 that has brought all of us to reside on this land and to seek to understand  
8 our place within that history.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this House pause in its  
10 deliberations to acknowledge that the land on which we gather was  
11 once the territory of Native American peoples, including, but not  
12 limited to, the Mohegan, Mashantucket Pequot, Eastern Pequot,

13 Schaghticoke, Golden Hill Paugussett, Nipmuc and Lenape Peoples,  
14 who have stewarded this land throughout the generations.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall not be  
16 interpreted as having any effect in any legal or administrative  
17 proceeding or procedure.

**GAE** *House Favorable Subst.*

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

This bill has no fiscal impact. The bill recognizes that all of Connecticut was once Native American lands, but does not obligate the state to any additional actions.

**The Out Years**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Resolutions.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Government Administration and Elections Committee

House Favorable Substitute

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