



General Assembly

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House Resolution No. 8

LCO No. 4141



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

**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 Native
5 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; and

9 WHEREAS colonialism is a continuing practice, and we need to be
10 mindful of our present participation.

11 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House pause in its
12 deliberations to acknowledge that the land on which we gather was the
13 territory of the Mohegan, Mashantucket Pequot, Eastern Pequot,
14 Schaghticoke, Golden Hill Paugussett, Nipmuc and Lenape Peoples,

15 who have stewarded this land throughout the generations, thank them
16 for their strength and resilience in protecting this land, and aspire to
17 uphold our responsibilities according to their example.

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