



General Assembly

**House Joint  
Resolution No. 33**

*February Session, 2026*

LCO No. 1911



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIVE AMERICAN STEWARDSHIP.**

Resolved by this Assembly:

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 the Connecticut General  
12 Assembly pause in its deliberations to acknowledge that the land on  
13 which we gather was the territory of the Mohegan, Mashantucket

14 Pequot, Eastern Pequot, Schaghticoke, Golden Hill Paugussett, Nipmuc  
15 and Lenape Peoples, who have stewarded this land throughout the  
16 generations, thank them for their strength and resilience in protecting  
17 this land and aspire to uphold our responsibilities according to their  
18 example.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall not be  
20 interpreted as having any effect in any legal or administrative  
21 proceeding or procedure.

**GAE**      *Joint Favorable*