



General Assembly

**House Joint
Resolution No. 33**

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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.