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Rick Tatnall, Executive Director,  
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Dear Members of The Pocahontas Project.

I am pleased to greet you as you gather for the Inaugural Richmond Indigenous Peoples' Day Celebration. Today, we celebrate and thank your members for their tireless work to recognize the countless contributions of the indigenous to Virginia's history.

Since its inception in 2017, The Pocahontas Project has worked to build a better community and improve the lives of people throughout the Commonwealth and beyond by supporting and encouraging collaboration between communities and indigenous, native, and First Nations communities. That is why I was proud to co-sponsor the Indigenous Peoples' Day Act. My sincere appreciation to you for your efforts to uplift and empower Virginia's recognized tribes.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me. Best wishes for a joyous summit and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer L. McClellan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Jennifer L. McClellan  
Member of Congress