

## Statement of Recognition of Indigenous Peoples

“We, members of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Eastern Slopes, recognize that the lands we now call New Hampshire and New England, on which we live, work, play, and worship, were originally inhabited by indigenous nations. We are aware of the displacements, slaughter, and injustices that many members of those nations have suffered; many of those injustices were not remedied in the past, and some may endure to this day. As we remember these nations, long resident in this region, we acknowledge and celebrate their stewardship of these lands and waters, across many generations, and now for all of us. We are grateful for their dedication and perseverance in their love of the lands, the wider environment, their families, and their peoples. We recognize and honor their enduring presence amidst our communities today.”

