

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Representative Xavier Becerra (CA-31), Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus, released the following statement in honor of Native American Heritage Month which is celebrated during the month of November:

“The Native American community is a source of strength for America. It has faced and overcome innumerable challenges since before the founding of our nation. This month, let us pay tribute to all Americans native to this land, to their community’s tribal leaders, and to the hundreds of thousands of men and women who give service to our country – from the revered Navajo Code Talkers to the brave enlisted soldier recently returned from Afghanistan.”

In the 110th Congress, Representative Becerra introduced the Tribal Charities Fairness Act of 2009 ([H.R. 3085](#)) and the Tribal Health Benefits Clarification Act of 2009 ([H.R. 3608](#)).