

Native Americans Asked ‘Redskins’ to Change Name Back – And the Football Team’s President Gives Them a Stern ‘No’

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In recent years, professional sports have come under the influence of progressive politics. Everything from the National Anthem to team names has come under scrutiny. Aggressive activism has motivated team owners to make drastic changes, for fear of being “canceled” by the public.

This motivated the Washington Redskins to alter its name to “Commanders.” A group of Native Americans recently petitioned the team owner to restore the original name. These natives explained that the term celebrated brave warriors and was not derogatory. Now, the Commanders’ team president issued a response.

Sorry, Redskins fans. The Washington Commanders’ team president just put the kibosh on any effort to bring back the old moniker for Washington, D.C.’s NFL team. “It is not being considered. Period,” team president Jason Wright told a local radio station on Wednesday.

The comment comes after the nonprofit Native American Guardians Association (NAGA) recently started a petition to change the name back to the Redskins.

The Native American Guardians Association is a nonprofit dedicated to protecting and restoring Native Americans’ role in U.S. history and culture. It petitioned the Washington Commanders to restore its original name, “The Washington Redskins.” The team president told a local radio station that it would not consider the group’s request.

NAGA warned that the progressive movement washing over popular culture is erasing its mark on society. They wrote a letter to the football team, explaining that they once had a relationship with the native community. This went all the way back to the 1933 season when the team was the Boston Redskins.

In recent history, American companies have removed the names and images of minorities from their products. Iconic figures from American culture, including Uncle Ben and Aunt Jemima, have been erased—claiming these characters stereotyped people of color.

In reality, groups like the NAGA claim these moves are reducing minority Americans’ influence in popular culture. It appears white-owned companies are scrubbing away America’s multicultural identity, for fear of offending someone (mostly white liberals).

It is unclear if the NAGA will continue petitioning the team or perhaps the league itself.