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## Cleveland Indians Sign Peace Treaty With Radical Left. Name Changed to Guardians

They won't help the plight of American Indians, but the woke owners of the former Cleveland Indians can feel better about themselves.

The team officially became the Cleveland Guardians Friday with the release of a video that features a voiceover by actor Tom Hanks.

The long trail of tears is over. The peace treaty with the radical left is official.



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A fresh look from the 216.

[pic.twitter.com/OW8VTtZ7b0](https://pic.twitter.com/OW8VTtZ7b0)

— Cleveland Indians (@Indians)

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### Fire and Water?

The team kicked mascot Chief Wahoo off the reservation in 2019. But that wasn't enough. The name had to go, too, as [The New American reported](#) in December.

Friday morning, up went the Hanks video.

"We are a city on the rise, forging into the future from our ironed out past," says the [Apollo 13](#) actor:

We are a city of fire and water. Of trees and towers. Built through generations of blue collars and the brightest scholars and all of those who worked harder. We hold tight to our roots, and set our sights on tomorrow. But this is our team that has stood with our city for more than a century.

We remember those moments as we move forward with change. You see, it's always been Cleveland that's the best part of our name, and now it's time to unite as one family, one community, to build the next era for this team in our city. To keep watch and guard what makes this game the greatest. We come together and welcome all who want to join us.

We are loyal, and proud, and resilient. We protect what we've earned, and always defend it.

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Because this is the city we love, and the game we believe in. Together, we are all Cleveland Guardians.

Together, we are all... [pic.twitter.com/R5FnT4kv1I](https://pic.twitter.com/R5FnT4kv1I)

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How wise it was to use the terms “fire and water” in a video about a team once called the Indians is debatable. That aside, more than a few fans and observers were unmoved by Hanks’ gravelly-voiced narration.

## Reaction

Tops among them was a paleface named Donald Trump. And he didn’t much care to puff on the peace pipe.

“Can anybody believe that the Cleveland Indians, a storied and cherished baseball franchise since taking the name in 1915, are changing their name to the Guardians?” the former [Great White Father](#) [said](#) :

Such a disgrace, and I guarantee that the people who are most angry about it are the many Indians of our Country. Wouldn’t it be an honor to have a team named the Cleveland Indians, and wouldn’t it be disrespectful to rip that name and logo off of those jerseys? The people of Cleveland cannot be thrilled and I, as a FORMER baseball fan, cannot believe things such as this are happening. A small group of people, with absolutely crazy ideas and policies, is forcing these changes to destroy our culture and heritage. At some point, the people will not take it anymore!



Others joined Trump. War drums sounded across the Cuyahoga.

“I will continue to wear my Indians gear in protest whoever wanted this new name should be terminated,” one fan tweeted.

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— daisylady39 (@daisylady39) [July 23, 2021](#)

“I knew you would do this,” another tweeted. “I’m not purchasing any gear going forward. Should’ve just done ‘Cleveland Baseball Team’.

Oh my god I knew you would do this. I'm not purchasing any gear going forward. Should've just done "Cleveland Baseball Team".

— Nate Brulport (@NateBrulport) [July 23, 2021](#)

Replited another:

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— Jason Santeiu (@JasonSanteiu) [July 23, 2021](#)

Unsurprisingly, the woke mob shot flaming arrows at those who didn't like the name change.

"Bigots are happy they don't have to root for Indians anymore finally something SJWs and bigots can celebrate together," one leftist tweeted.

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— James (@James21375735) [July 23, 2021](#)

At this writing, the team has not changed its name on Twitter.

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For the record, dumping the team's mascot and name has done nothing for the plight of American Indians on reservations, who suffer [grinding poverty](#) and [low life expectancy](#).



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