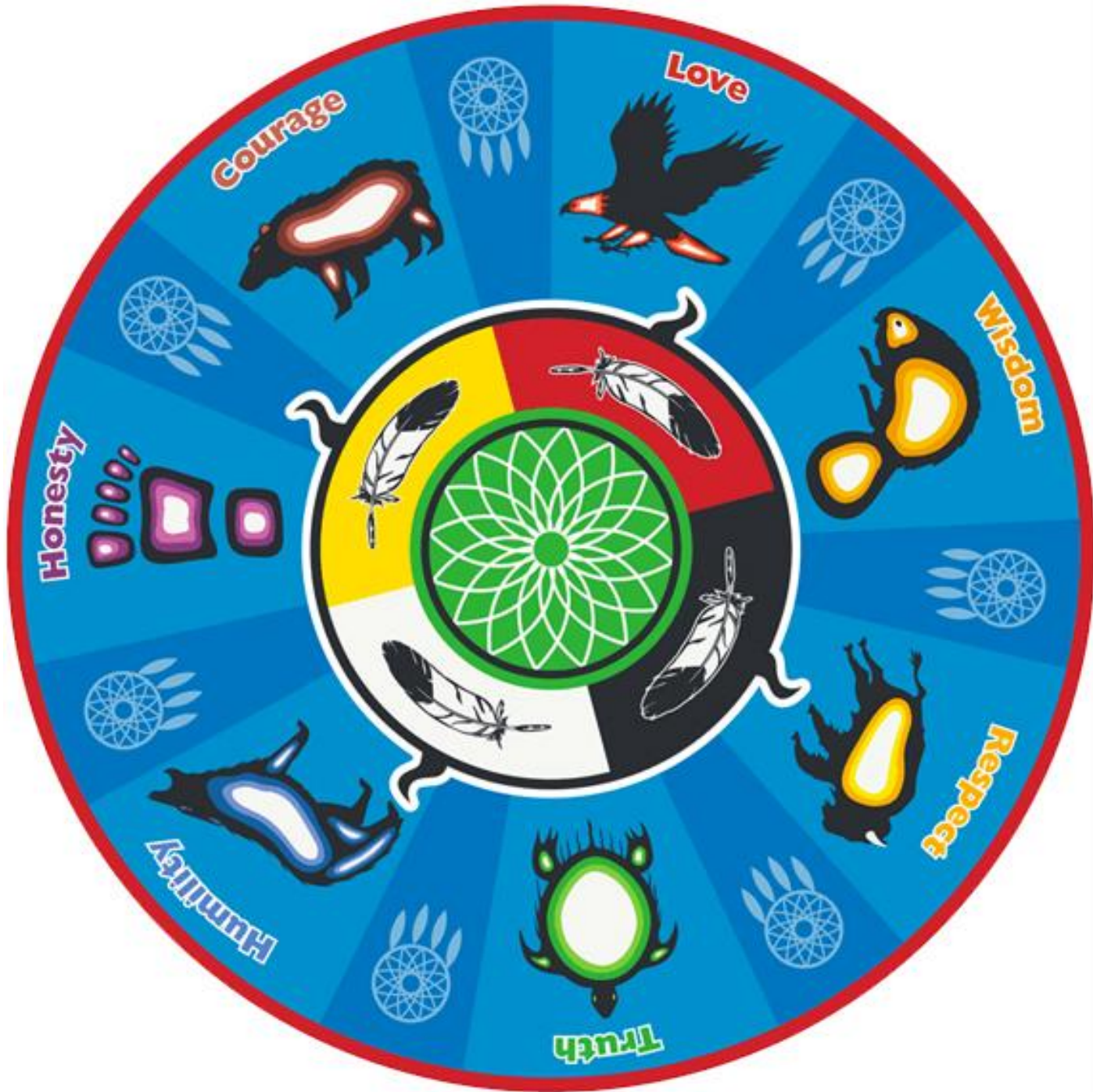


SEVEN
GRANDFATHER
TEACHINGS

OF THE OJIBWE PEOPLE



WISDOM

NIBWAAKAAWIN

Represented by the beaver

TO CHERISH KNOWLEDGE IS TO KNOW
WISDOM

RESPECT YOUR OWN LIMITATIONS AND
THOSE OF ALL OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS

RECOGNIZE YOUR DIFFERENCES AND THOSE
OF OTHERS IN A KIND, RESPECTFUL WAY

LOVE

ZAAGI'DIWIN

Represented by the eagle

TO KNOW LOVE IS TO KNOW PEACE

UNCONDITIONAL

WHEN PEOPLE ARE WEAK THEY NEED LOVE MOST

LOVE IS MUTUAL - SHARED

RESPECT

MINAADENDAMOWIN

Represented by the buffalo

TO HONOR ALL CREATION IS TO HAVE
RESPECT

LIVE HONORABLY IN TEACHINGS AND IN
YOUR ACTIONS TOWARDS ALL THINGS

YOU MUST GIVE RESPECT IF YOU WISH TO
BE RESPECTED

BRAVERY

AAKODE'EWIN

Represented by the bear

BRAVERY IS TO FACE LIFE WITH INTEGRITY

DEFEND WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN

MAKE POSITIVE CHOICES AND HAVE CONVICTION IN YOUR DECISIONS

TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT EVEN WHEN THE CONSEQUENCES ARE UNPLEASANT

HONESTY

GWAYAKWAADIZIWIN

Represented by the raven or sabe

RECOGNIZE AND ACCEPT WHO YOU ARE

ALWAYS BE HONEST IN WORD AND ACTION

BE HONEST FIRST WITH YOURSELF AND YOU WILL MORE EASILY BE ABLE TO BE HONEST WITH OTHERS

TO WALK THROUGH LIFE WITH INTEGRITY IS TO KNOW HONESTY

HUMILITY

DABAADENDIZIWIN

Represented by the wolf

IT IS TO KNOW YOURSELF AS A SACRED
PART OF CREATION

YOU ARE EQUAL TO OTHERS BUT YOU ARE
NOT BETTER

DO NOT BECOME ARROGANT AND SELF-
IMPORTANT

TRUTH

DEBWEWIN

Represented by the turtle

BE TRUE TO YOURSELF AND ALL OTHER THINGS

SHOW HONOR AND SINCERITY IN ALL THAT YOU SAY AND DO

DO NOT DECEIVE YOURSELF OR OTHERS

The End

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