



STRATHCONA COUNTY

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## National Indigenous Peoples Day

We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 territory and the traditional homeland of the Métis Nation. The ground we currently stand on was the meeting ground, gathering place and travelling route of the Blackfoot, Gros Ventres, Cree, Saulteaux, Dene, Sioux and later Métis among others; and

National Indigenous Peoples Day in Canada is annually held on June 21 to celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and outstanding achievements of our nation's Indigenous people. This is an important day, as many Indigenous peoples celebrate the summer solstice.

Strathcona County proudly recognizes that a portion of the land we live on is called Amiskwaciy, Cree for "The Beaver Hills." The land on which our County now sits is where First Nations made alliances, conducted trade, and built summer and winter camps where they would hunt and work together.

We acknowledge as a Country the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries and who continue to contribute to the vibrant and diverse culture of our community.

**NOW THEREFORE** I, Mayor Rod Frank, do hereby proclaim June 21, 2020 as "National Aboriginal Day" in Strathcona County.

Dated this 8 day of June, 2020.

Signed by

Rod Frank, Mayor