

RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES MEMORANDUM

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TO: MAYOR, J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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RE: NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH AND PEOPLES DAY

DATE: MAY 30, 2022

The purpose of this Memorandum is to inform members of Council that the City is planning to celebrate National Indigenous History Month and National Indigenous Peoples Day this June.

Nationally, June is recognized as Indigenous History Month and June 21st as Indigenous Peoples Day.

Throughout the month of June, the City of Barrie will be supporting and collaborating with community partners to provide opportunities for all residents to learn about and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and significant contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

Partners in programming include the Barrie Native Friendship Centre (BNFC), Mamaway Wiidokdaadwin Primary Care Team from the Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle, Red Quills, and Barrie Public Library (BPL).

The month-long event will kick-off on June 2nd with a flag raising at Barrie City Hall. Programming will be featured throughout the month with a focus on bringing people together to celebrate and learn. A few of the programming opportunities and experiences are as follows:

- June 2 Flag Raising & Kick-off @ City Hall
- June 4, 11, 18, 25 Shining Waters Nibi Walks hosted by BNFC & BPL
- June 4 Meet an Inuk Storytime @ BPL Painswick.
- June 21 –Drummers on the waterfront.
- June 29 Outdoor film screening @ Meridian Place featuring an Indigenous film

For the most up to date schedule please visit www.barrie.ca/events.