

RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES MEMORANDUM

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RE: NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH AND PEOPLES DAY

DATE: MAY 17, 2023

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, Mamaway Wiidokdaadwin Primary Care Team from the Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle, Red Quills, Barrie Public Library and the Downtown Barrie Improvement Area (BIA).

The month-long event will kick-off on June 2nd with a flag raising at Barrie City Hall. In collaboration with the BIA, June 21st will feature an indigenous film at Meridian Place. Programming will be featured throughout the month with a focus on bringing people together to celebrate, engage, and learn.

When details are announced, the full schedule will be available at https://www.barrie.ca/community-events/national-indigenous-history-month