



TOWN OF VEGREVILLE

Proclamation

"National Indigenous Peoples Day"

June 21, 2021

WHEREAS, the Constitution of Canada recognizes the existing rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples in Canada have made and continue to make valuable contributions to Canadian society, and it is considered appropriate that there be, in each year, a day to mark and celebrate these contributions and to recognize the different cultures of Indigenous Peoples in Canada; and


WHEREAS, in cooperation with Indigenous organizations, the Government of Canada chose June 21, the summer solstice, for National Aboriginal Day, now known as National Indigenous Peoples Day. For generations, many Indigenous peoples and communities have celebrated their culture and heritage on or near this day due to the significance of the summer solstice as the longest day of the year; and

WHEREAS, this is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and the importance of creating awareness and encouraging communities to support a safe and inclusive environment for generations to come; and

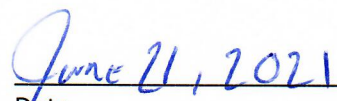
WHEREAS the Vegreville Indigenous community, considering the discovery of the remains of 215 children at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School, wishes to acknowledge the survivors of residential schools and to remember those who did not survive.

NOW THEREFORE, I Mayor Tim MacPhee, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of the Town of Vegreville, do hereby proclaim the Monday, June 21, 2021 as "National Indigenous Peoples Day" in the Town of Vegreville.

"National Indigenous Peoples Day"
Vegreville, Alberta



Mayor Tim MacPhee



Date