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**Sent:** Thursday, December 21, 2023 4:19 PM **To:** Mayor Aalbers < <u>mayor@lloydminster.ca</u>>

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I trust this email finds you in good health. My name is Troy Abromaitis, representing All Nations Outreach, and I am writing to bring to your attention a significant opportunity for the City of Lloydminster to proclaim June 30, 2024, as Indigenous Survivors Day—a day dedicated to recognizing and honoring the enduring resilience of Indigenous communities.

Several cities, including Vancouver, Victoria, Surrey, and others, have already proclaimed June 30, 2023, as Indigenous Survivors Day.

Whereas,

The City of Lloydminster acknowledges the enduring historical injustices faced by Indigenous peoples, rooted in colonization, forced assimilation, and systemic injustices.

The designation of June 30 as Indigenous Survivors Day provides a significant opportunity to recognize and honor the resilience, strength, and cultural heritage of Indigenous communities that have endured historical traumas, including the 60s Scoop, the Millennium Scoop, birth alerts, and the enduring legacy of residential schools.

By establishing June 30 as Indigenous Survivors Day, the City of Lloydminster aims to create a crucial platform for healing, education, and dialogue. This initiative seeks to raise awareness about the unique struggles faced by Indigenous peoples, emphasizing the need for understanding

and support.

This observance serves as a solemn reminder of the ongoing challenges confronted by Indigenous people and communities in the City of Lloydminster.

Through the implementation of Indigenous Survivors Day on June 30, 2024, the City of Lloydminster reaffirms its dedication to honoring Indigenous survivors, promoting healing, and actively contributing to the construction of a more equitable and inclusive city for all.

Therefore,

I kindly request that the City of Lloydminster consider proclaiming June 30, 2024, as Indigenous Survivors Day. Such a proclamation would symbolize the city's commitment to reconciliation and provide an opportunity for residents to reflect on the rich cultural heritage of Indigenous communities, standing in solidarity with them.

Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated, and we believe that this proclamation would contribute to fostering understanding, respect, and unity within our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am available to discuss this further if needed.

Sincerely,

**Troy Abromaitis**