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Confirming Support and Partnership: National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebrations

## Dear Geoff Garbutt,

On Saturday June 21, K'ómoks First Nation will again be presenting a large-scale National Indigenous Peoples Day celebration at the Comox Valley Exhibition Grounds. This event will offer an opportunity to celebrate and honour all Indigenous communities, recognizing our strength, sharing cultural knowledge and diversity, and celebrating our resilience.

We are excited to welcome the Comox Valley for workshops and knowledge sharing, food and craft vendors, children and youth programs, environmental walks at the Tsolum River, cultural presentations and live music from acclaimed Indigenous artists. K'ómoks First Nation is honoured by the collaboration currently underway with local governments, community and cultural organizations, and business networks of the Nation to make this year's event another great success.

Thank you so much for your generous support for our event in 2024 and your commitment to annual support for this celebration of the diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis culture and people across Canada and right here in the Comox Valley. We have exciting plans underway for 2025 and are grateful for your \$25,000 sponsorship contribution toward our June 21<sup>st</sup> event.

If you have any questions or if you would like to connect with our event team please message Jordan Templeman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer at <a href="mailto:jordan.templeman@komoks.ca">jordan.templeman@komoks.ca</a> or by calling 250-339-4545 ext. 116.

This event is only possible through collaboration with, and support from, our community. We hope to continue to work with you to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day for many years ahead, to strengthen community connections, promote cross-cultural awareness and understanding, and move forward together.

With thanks,

Nicole Rempel, Elected Chief Councillor K'ómoks First Nation