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Mayor Bob Wells
City of Courtenay
830 Cliffe Ave,
Courtenay, B.C. V9N 2J7

Request for Support and Partnership: Community celebration of National Indigenous People's Day

Dear Mayor Bob Wells,

On Friday June 21st, K'ómoks First Nation will be presenting National Indigenous People's Day celebrations at the Comox Valley Exhibition Grounds. This event provides an opportunity to celebrate and honour all Indigenous communities, recognizing our strength, sharing cultural knowledge and diversity, and celebrating our resilience.

Thank you for your support for our event in 2023. We are excited be hosting this year's celebration at the Exhibition Grounds with welcoming the community for workshops and knowledge sharing, food and craft vendors, environmental walks at the Tsolum River, cultural presentations and live music from local and visiting indigenous performers.

K'ómoks First Nation is providing significant contributions for this event, and we are honoured by the collaboration already under way with other local governments, and community and cultural organizations.

To make this event a success we are requesting \$25,000 in financial support from the City of Courtenay as well as in kind support for transportation and parking management plans, signage and traffic control for the event. We would like to have this being a standing request for future years and look forward to this being an ongoing collaboration. We would also welcome City of Courtenay staff to participate as volunteers for the event.

Please let us know as soon as possible if we can confirm your support for this important community event, by responding to Tina McLean, Chief Administrative Officer tina.mclean@komoks.ca or by calling 339-4545 ext. 114

This event is only possible through collaboration with, and support from, our community partners. We hope to work with you to celebrate National Indigenous People's Day in the years ahead, to strengthen community connections, promote cross cultural awareness and understanding, and move forward together.

With thanks,

Ken Price
Elected Chief Councillor
K'ómoks First Nation