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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Name change of John A MacDonald Road

Meeting (if known) Governance and Priorities Meeting

Comments

I support the motion to name change John A MacDonald Road to Reconciliation Road. Mr. MacDonald should not be idolized as a great leader of Canada. Canadians have inherited a reverence for Macdonald from earlier generations based on a historical narrative that was largely silent on the price paid by Indigenous people. Old biographies of Macdonald did not even consider the deaths in the schools, a silence that seems strange to modern readers.

This silence is an intrinsic part of the colonial system that destroyed Indigenous communities. Canadian settlers wanted the land that Indigenous people occupied so that they could lay railroad tracks, plant wheat, dig mines, build cities. To do all that, Indigenous people were moved to reserves far from the railway and subjugated, made to accept the authority of the Crown.

I urge you to be the "great leaders" and do what you can to make this tragic moment in our history, not a current reflection of our daily lives now. Let's move forward together and therefore, ask you also support this.

Thank you for your time.

Attachments

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