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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 Renaming of John A Macdonald Rd

Meeting (if known)

Comments

Good evening,

I am writing this letter in regards to the renaming of John A Macdonald Rd. I am an Indigenous woman who happens to live in this road and personally am in favour of the proposed name change. John A Macdonald was our Prime Minister and a man who happened to advocate an use laws to starve the Indigenous people of our country, my ancestors. Renaming the a street doesn't change this. It does however, let myself and the other Indigenous people who live here know that our city is open to reconciliation. Now there are many arguments against this proposed change and other similar changes such as the removal of status which commemorate this man. However, let us turn to some precedent. In Rwanda, statues of Idi Amin have been removed, in Uganda streets named for colonialists are being renamed, in Russia, statues of Stalin have been removed and in Germany statuesque Hitler were removed and buildings and other such things named after the name have been changed. When leaders do things that cause groups of people to be harmed precedence would suggest that countries and towns do not continue to commemorate these individuals. In Canada John A Macdonald worked to build our country but he also worked to destroy Indigenous people. I feel it is time to acknowledge this and to treat Indigenous people with the same respect afforded to other victims of harmful leaders and stop commemorating this man. As such, I will reaffirm as a resident of John A Macdonald Rd, I am in favour of the proposed change to our street name.

Respectfully

Amy Shipley  
Attachments

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