

Saskatoon City Council:

In a StarPhoenix letter to the editor on September 15, 2020, I called for renaming John A. Macdonald Road in Saskatoon:

<https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letters-to-the-editor-sept-15-2020/>

Macdonald caused countless Indigenous people to starve to death and suffer from extreme hunger, started the horrific residential school system with Indigenous children not being able to live with their parents, forced Indigenous people to live on reserves, forced them to get permission to leave reserves, and criminalized powwows and potlatches.

John A. Macdonald Road is a long street with a large Indigenous population in the area. What if you or a family member or a relative was a survivor of a residential school and had to walk by, drive by, or live on a street named in honor of the creator of the residential school system? Show some empathy, compassion, and humanity and name John A. Macdonald Road after someone with honor and integrity.

Sincerely,

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