May 4, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

On June 22, 2015, the City of Saskatoon declared 2015-2016 a Year of Reconciliation. Since that time, Saskatoon community groups and leaders have been coming together to define reconciliation in Saskatchewan. This is the second year we are hosting events. These groups are working and walking together on the reconciliation journey.

The Office of the Treaty Commissioner in partnership with Saskatoon Tribal Council, City of Saskatoon, and Central Urban Metis Federation Inc. are working with 53 partners including local businesses and church groups to host the second year of events in the spirit of reconciliation. One of these events is a flag ceremony which is a blessing of the flag raised in 2016. This event is to be held at the Civic Square in Saskatoon.

Our proposed date is May 25, 2017. The event will be half day event beginning in the morning that will include a pipe ceremony, a grand entry, the flag ceremony followed by raising of the flag, with entertainment to follow. The pipe ceremony would require us to set up a tipi the night before the event, and it would be used for ceremony early the morning of the event.

If you require further information regarding this request, please contact Lorna Arcand at 306-220-0328, Charmaine Gardiner at 306-833-7828 charmaine.gardiner@saskatoon.ca or Gilles Dorval at 306-260-7600 gilles.dorval@saskatoon.ca. Thank you, we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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