



Office of the Mayor

CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Proclamation

INDIGENOUS VETERANS' DAY

Whereas

on Indigenous Veterans' Day, we commemorate Indigenous veterans who, throughout their history of service, have made incredible contributions to Canada and countries around the world;

Whereas

Indigenous peoples have a long and deep history of military service. Approximately 12,000 First Nations, Inuit and Metis people served in the First and Second World Wars as well as the Korean War. Today, there are as many as 2,700 Indigenous peoples in uniform;

Whereas

among those who returned from combat overseas, many faced discrimination, such as denial of benefits, loss of Indian Status and expropriation of their land. For generations, Indigenous veterans were not recognized for their service;

And Whereas

the City of North Vancouver acknowledges Indigenous veterans, whose bravery, courage, service and sacrifice helps protect the peace and freedom we enjoy today. We pause, remember and honour all Indigenous veterans who have served and continue to serve;

Now Therefore

I, Linda Buchanan, Mayor of the City of North Vancouver, do hereby proclaim **November 8, 2024** as **Indigenous Veterans' Day** in the City of North Vancouver, the traditional territories of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

So proclaimed on Monday, November 4, 2024

Linda C. Buchanan

Mayor Linda Buchanan