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Library Board Report

To: Newmarket Public Library Board
From: Tracy Munusami, CEO
Date: September 15, 2021
RE: Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Background:

At the Library Board meeting on June 16, 2021, the Board agreed to adopt the practice of beginning Library Board meetings with a Land Acknowledgement of Indigenous Peoples.

Conclusion:

That the following motion is recommended:

That the Library Board adopt the following Land Acknowledgment of Indigenous Peoples to begin Library Board meetings;

Ahneen, Biindigen - Hello, Welcome

We acknowledge that the Newmarket Public Library is located on the traditional territories of the Wendat, Haudeno-saunee, and the Anishinaabe peoples and the treaty land of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous peoples whose presence here continues to this day. We thank them for sharing this land with us.

We also acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbours and friends, and we work to ensure a cooperative and respectful relationship.

Miigwetch - Thank you