

July 9, 2020

**The Honourable Mayor June Caul**

Town of Fort Frances  
320 Portage Ave,  
Fort Frances, ON P9A 3P9

**Object : Raising of the Franco-Ontarian flag in Fort Frances**

Dear Mayor June Caul and Members of Council,

In September 2019, you proclaimed September 25th to be Franco-Ontarian Day in Fort Frances. This proclamation confirmed that Fort Frances recognizes the cultural and economic contribution of its Francophone members and supports their decision to make the French language and culture an important part of their lives.

This year's Franco-Ontarian Day is a very special one. In fact, it marks the 10th year anniversary since the promulgation of the law 24 relative to the recognition of September 25th as Franco-Ontarian day but also marks the 11th year of celebrations in Ontario.

It is our sincerest hope that you will join us again this year on September 25, 2020. We would like to make the following requests with respect to this year's celebration:

Raising of the Franco-Ontarian flag in Fort Frances on September 25th at 9:30 am for one month, and publishing an Official proclamation of the "Provincial Franco-Ontarian Day" to inform the public. We also invite Mayor June Caul to deliver a few remarks in the form of a short video in order to highlight this special day for our community.

We wish to once again extend our appreciation for your ongoing participation and sincerely hope that you will join us again this year to commemorate such an exceptional Day and anniversary. We look forward to your favourable response.

For further information, please contact us by phone at 1 888 248-1712 or by e-mail at [promotion@afnoo.org](mailto:promotion@afnoo.org).

Best regards,



Nancy Proulx, Présidente

## PROCLAMATION

### FRANCO-ONTARIAN DAY — SEPTEMBRE 25

WHEREAS by the virtue of the Franco-Ontarian Day Act, which was legislated on April 26 th, 2010, it is declared that September 25 th of each year be recognised as Franco-Ontarian Day throughout the province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS September 25 th is the anniversary of the first raising of the Franco-Ontarian flag and it represents over 400 years of French presence in Ontario; and

WHEREAS there are more than 600 000 Francophones in Ontario, the largest Francophone community outside of Quebec; and

WHEREAS Franco-Ontarian Day has become an annual occasion to celebrate the Francophone Community:

NOW THEREFORE, I, (NAME), by the virtue of the power vested in me as (TITLE) of the City of (NAME), do hereby proclaim September 25 th of each year as FRANCO-ONTARIAN DAY and join de Francophone Community of (NAME) in celebrating its exceptional contribution to Ontario's growth and prosperity.