



PROCLAMATION

MMIWG2S+ Awareness Day (Red Dress Day)

May 5th, 2025

- WHEREAS:** MMIWG2S+ stands for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirited+. MMIWG2S+ is an Indigenous-led inquiry that seeks to spread awareness to all Canadians in working to end violence against Indigenous women, girls, Two-Spirited peoples and gender diverse people, no matter their cultural, geographical, or historical background; and
- WHEREAS:** Half of all women in Canada have experienced at least one incident of violence since the age of 16 and this reality is worse for Indigenous women as Indigenous women are 12 times more likely to be murdered or go missing; and
- WHEREAS:** MMIWG2S+ is inspiring communities across Canada to educate and build awareness to end wide-spread domestic and gender-based violence once and for all. We honor and remember the thousands of MMIWG2S+ victims whose lives were taken too soon, and we stand in solidarity with their families and loved ones, acknowledging the pain and trauma they endure.
- THEREFORE:** In the spirit of reconciliation, I, Kate Rogers, Mayor of the City of Fredericton, do hereby proclaim that the City of Fredericton shows our support to all Wabanaki people by acknowledging and encouraging others to join activities on May 5th, 2025 as MMIWG2S+ Awareness (Red Dress) Day in Fredericton.

MAYOR