## Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** WIIKWEMKOONG BAND MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS

FROM: Chief and Council

**DATE:** July 30, 2024

RE: WIIKWEMKOONG BAND OFFICE CLOSING AT 1 PM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024

WIIKWEMKOONG ANNUAL CULTURAL FESTIVAL

As we head into our Wiikwemkoong Annual Cultural Festival Weekend, I remind everyone that the Wiikwemkoong Administration Office (band office) will be closed at 1pm this coming Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

The early closure on this day honours the long-standing tradition of staff having the opportunity to assist with other volunteers in preparing for our Cultural Festival weekend. Any and all assistance is greatly appreciated to help make our Pow Wow a great success.

Council and I encourage everyone to participate in the preparations by contacting the Wiikwemkoong Heritage Office to inquire on offering any assistance that is needed. Let's all show our guests and visitors just how proud we are in our collective preparations to welcome everyone to our annual celebration of our culture, our language and who we are as Wiikwemkoong Anishinaabek.

It is my and Council's hope that everyone has a fun, and safe Pow Wow weekend. In your local travels please remember to keep a watchful eye out for children, elders and all pedestrians this holiday weekend. Also in your local travels, we also encourage everyone to please give a very welcoming Wiikwemkoong "Aanii" to any and all guests you cross paths with this weekend; let's show our visitors from across Turtle Island and the World, how honoured we are that they chose to celebrate the holiday by visiting our beautiful Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory.

We wish our Community a very happy Cultural Festival Weekend Celebration!!

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