From: Cindy Novakowski Sent: October-15-20 2:21 PM To: Caylee Simmons Subject: Request for Mayor and Council

## Hello,

On behalf of the Salmon Arm Métis Association I am kindly asking the City of Salmon Arm, Mayor and Council to consider raising the BC Métis flag at City Hall in commemoration of Louis Riel day in BC recognized on November 16th.

## Why Remember Louis Riel?

Louis Riel is recognized as an advocate of justice for the Métis people, but he represents much more. He helped lay the framework for minority rights and cultural co-operation, and is regarded as a founder of Manitoba. It is very important to remember Louis Riel's contribution to Canada and specifically to recall that he was executed for being a persistent advocate for the rights of his people.

In honour of Louis Riel, the BC Metis flag has been raised in many other cities, towns, and communities across BC. For Salmon Arm to participate this year would be a wonderful opportunity to bring awareness to one of Canada's Indigenous People and specifically to a historical figure who continues to impact justice for minorities.

I appreciate your time in considering this request and ask that if you would like to know more please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully, Cindy Novakowski Vice President, Salmon Arm Métis Association.

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