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POWELL RIVER MUSEUM MOVES FORWARD WITH NAME CHANGE PROCESS

On October 18, 2021, the Board of Directors of the **Powell River Historical Museum and Archives** (PRHMA) passed a motion to move forward with a name change. The Museum acknowledges the harms of the past and is committed to improving relationships in the spirit of reconciliation with First Nations. Adjusting the name of our local museum to be more inclusive would be a positive step in this process.

The readjustment will also reflect more accurately the broad geographic range that the Museum serves. This includes the traditional territory of the Tla'amin, shíshálh, Klahoose, Homalco, and K'ómoks First Nations, the City of Powell River and the qathet Regional District.

With support from local community partnerships and best practices developed by the Canadian Museums Association, the Powell River Museum is committed to ensuring the history of the region is told from all perspectives. A representative from Tla'amin Nation has been invited to be a member of the PRHMA Board of Directors and the Museum is committed to collaborating with all Indigenous peoples of the region.

The Province of British Columbia has established the legal process for changing a museum's name in British Columbia through the BC Registries. A vote by the Museum's membership is required by Special Resolution at an AGM or Special Meeting. Membership forms are available at the Museum or online.

Ideas about the name change process are welcome. Please submit written comments no later than February 15, 2022. All correspondence will be part of the public record.

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