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**Subject:** URBAN INDIGENOUS STRATEGY-time for meaningful action

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Good afternoon members of City Council

Yesterday we took part in a very respectful and moving vigil in front of the John A. MacDonald statue. Speakers explained why we should not honour this Prime Minister.

The statue should definitely be removed, preferably with an official ceremony.

We have a copy of the Indigenous Strategy report the City put out two years ago. It is excellent, thank you. Many good actions and calls to action are listed in this report. The main request is to respect, listen to, and engage the indigenous community in Hamilton.

Please reconsider your decision regarding the statue.

Show that you are serious about the issues in the Strategy Report you adopted.

Sincerely,

Rose Janson and Family