

April 25, 2024

Calgary Foundation
Neighbour Grant

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Circle Connections for Reconciliation Society Application – Neighbour Grant

On behalf of Airdrie City Council, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Circle Connections for Reconciliation Society's (Circle) application for \$10,000 of funding for their planned National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration taking place June 21, 2024, at Nose Creek Park in Airdrie. Specifically, Council and I support their application to the Calgary Foundation's Neighbour grant.

The City of Airdrie has many Indigenous people living within our community. Since 2021 the Circle has provided ways for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to come together in peace, respect and friendship, to build relationships, learn the truth, increase awareness and work towards genuine reconciliation in our area. To ensure their work is done in a good way they work with Elders, Knowledge Keepers and Leaders from across Treaty 7 Territory and the Métis Nation of Alberta.

The City of Airdrie has partnered with the Circle on several special events for National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21), National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Sept 30) in 2022 and 2023, as well as their series of Elder Talks in 2023 and 2024.

The work the Circle does is in line with the City of Airdrie's strategic objective to be a leading movement for truth and reconciliation within Alberta. We look forward to continuing to provide our support and to work with them in the coming year.

Sincerely,



Peter Brown
Mayor