



Six Nations "Iroquois" Confederacy
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Elected Council has Crossed the Line: Confederacy Chiefs Condemn Proposed Class Action

We are the Confederacy and have been governing consistent with the Great Law of Peace since time immemorial. We follow the instructions provided by the Creator and not the Canadian government.

Our responsibilities include protecting our lands and our rights so that our faces yet to come (our children and grandchildren) can grow up and live as Haudenosaunee people.

For the first time in our history, we, the Confederacy, created a process to deal with development on our lands. We know that it is not yet a perfect system and we are committed to improving transparency and accountability to our people.

We know that the Six Nations Indian Act Band was created in 1924 to advance the assimilation of the Haudenosaunee people. We have survived continued attempts to assimilate and colonize us and our people.

In joining this class action litigation, the Band is trying to advance the assimilation of the Haudenosaunee people by declaring that the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council has no say in how our treaty lands are used.

This litigation is being advanced so the Band can say that they are the only government of the Haudenosaunee. This is about the Band going after power and money and ignoring the long-term impacts on the rights of our people.

If they are successful, they will allow the Canadian government to municipalize our lands and our people and introduce Canadian laws and taxation.

Our faces yet to come will inherit the consequences of what is being done today. They deserve to know that we stood up for them every time it mattered.

Regardless of any attempt by the Band to undermine the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council and extinguish our fire we will continue to persevere, protect and advance our laws traditions and ceremonies - all of which come from the Creator and not from any foreign government or Indian Act Band.

We will take the necessary actions to continue to stand up for our people as we have been doing for centuries.

We advise any Six Nations person taking part or supporting the actions of Bill Monture, Wilf Davy or the Band to reconsider and ask themselves whether they are acting consistent with the instructions that came from our Creator.

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The Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council