

**Proclamation  
Franco-Ontarian Day  
September 25, 2023**

**ATTENDU:** Que l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario la Loi de 2010 sur le Jour de Franco-Ontariens et Franco-Ontariennes proclamant le 25 septembre, le Jour des Franco-Ontariens et des Franco-Ontariennes le 18 mai 2010;

**WHEREAS:** On May 18, 2010, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario enacted the Franco-Ontario Day Act, 2010 proclaiming September 25<sup>th</sup> in each year as the Franco-Ontarian Day; and

**WHEREAS:** The Franco-Ontarian Day Act recognizes that Franco-Ontarians commemorate September 25<sup>th</sup> to celebrate their language and heritage and also take pride in their collective accomplishments. September 25<sup>th</sup> is the anniversary of the first unveiling of the Franco-Ontarian flag in Sudbury in 1975; the Franco –Ontarian Emblem Act, 2001 recognizes the flag as the emblem of the Francophone community of Ontario; and

**WHEREAS:** By proclaiming September 25<sup>th</sup> as Franco-Ontarian Day, this Act officially recognizes the contributions of the Francophone community of Ontario to the social, economic and political life of the Province and the community's importance in Ontario's society; and

**WHEREAS:** French is one of the two official languages of Canada and French language has been spoken in Ontario since the 17<sup>th</sup> Century; and

**POUR CES MOTIFS:** Moi, Douglas Lawrance, maire de la Municipalité de Sioux Lookout proclame par la présente, le 25 septembre 2023 le Jour des Franco-Ontariens et des Franco-Ontarienne dans la Municipalité de Sioux Lookout;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** I, Douglas Lawrance, Mayor of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, do hereby proclaim September 25, 2023 "Franco-Ontarian Day" in the Municipality of Sioux Lookout.



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Doug Lawrance, Mayor