

Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

P.O. Box 720 Kahnawà:ke Mohawk Territory JOL 1B0 Phone: (450) 632-7500 Fax: (450) 638-5958

Web Site: www.Kahnawake.com E-mail: communications@mck.ca Enhsakotò: kénhte Nitiotié: ren Tsi Ietsenhaientáhkhwa

Tsi Nahóten Karihwanákere No'nenk News Release

Upcoming event will honor Kahnawà:ke role in War of 1812

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 1, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2013) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke is pleased to inform the community that it will participate and assist in the coordination of an event to honor Kahnawà:ke's role in the War of 1812. A special ceremony will take place on National Aboriginal Day (21, Ohiarí:ha/June) and is being mainly organized by the Kahnawà:ke Legion Branch 219. Specifics are not yet announced, as the event is still in the planning stages.

Louis Stacey, the Legion President, will be the main contact on their behalf at this early stage. Others will possibly become involved in this capacity as the event approaches.

"Over the past year, there have been events across Canada commemorating the War of 1812," said Chief Kenneth McComber. "There are many people in Canada and Quebec who aren't aware of the major impact that Kahnawà:ke had on history. Without the direct involvement of our ancestors, the society in this region – and perhaps all of Canada – may have turned out far different than what it is today."

The event will be open to the public.

"We have an obligation to remember and honor our past," concluded Chief McComber. "The Kahnawà:ke Legion is a strong advocate of ensuring that our military efforts are properly recognized. We're confident that this event is in the right hands."

-30-

For information, please contact:
Joe Delaronde, Political Press Attaché
Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke
450-632-7500, joe.delaronde@mck.ca