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**(Kahnawake – May 26, 2016)** Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language & Cultural Center (KOR), Kahnawà:ke Tourism and the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke launched the campaign today to celebrate the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Kahnawà:ke's move to its current location.

The unveiling of a permanent display panel was held at Kahnawà:ke Survival School Thursday morning at 9am to commemorate the previous location of the village before the final move circa 1716. The event is the first of several to take place throughout the summer months.

Upcoming events include *Cultural Celebration Fridays* that will take place at the greenspace by the Golden Age Club and old K103 site on Friday May 27, Friday June 17, Friday July 15, and Friday July 29 from 10am to 3pm; KOR will be adding a new section to their permanent exhibit in their museum, detailing the historical importance of the 5 village movements before settling here in Kahnawà:ke. Kahnawà:ke tourism will be leading Cultural Food Festivals at local businesses throughout the year; Strawberry Food Festival in June, Harvest Food Festival in August, Apple Food Festival in September and Pumpkin Food Festival in October. More events will occur throughout the year, more information to come closer to event dates.

"We want to focus on the pride and accomplishments that Kahnawà:ke has achieved, it has been quite a journey for our people to get where we are today, Kahnawà:ke is a narrative of resilience, this is what we are acknowledging and celebrating in 2016" added Chief Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer.

"Our aspirations are to spread public knowledge and appreciation of our people, history, culture, language and traditions," said Kahnawà:ke Tourism Development Agent, Kimberly Cross.

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