

**BEHDZI" AHDA FIRST NATION and K'ASHO GOT'INE CHARTER COMMUNITY
UNLOCKING OUR ECONOMIC POTENTIAL, TOGETHER**

Response by Kevin O'Reilly, Candidate for MLA Frame Lake

UN DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Yes, I support adopting and implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into territorial law and modern treaties.

Additional Comments:

In my first term I raised the issue of GNWT implementation and compliance with UNDRIP as shown below:

<https://kevinoreillyframelake.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/2016-06-16-MS-ADHERENCE-TO-THE-UNITED-NATIONS-DECLARATION-ON-THE-RIGHTS-OF-INDIGENOUS-PEOPLES-.pdf>

<https://kevinoreillyframelake.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/2016-06-16-OQ-ADHERENCE-TO-THE-UNITED-NATIONS-DECLARATION-ON-THE-RIGHTS-OF-ABORIGINAL-PEOPLES.pdf>

I also questioned how Cabinet's Project Assessment Policy complied with the concept of free, prior and informed consent, as found in article 19 of UNDRIP. Links to my statement and questions are found below:

<https://kevinoreillyframelake.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/2017-09-25-MS-PROJECT-ASSESSMENT-POLICY.pdf>

<https://kevinoreillyframelake.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/2017-09-25-OQ-PROJECT-ASSESSMENT-POLICY.pdf>

The responses from Cabinet Ministers were less than satisfactory.

I also tabled Romeo Saganash's federal Private Member's Bill on UNDRIP https://www.assembly.gov.nt.ca/sites/default/files/td_206-183.pdf and suggested GNWT adopt a similar approach as an example of how GNWT should approach a systematic and comprehensive review of our legislation and implementation of UNDRIP. The Premier and Cabinet rejected this approach.

I will continue to support GNWT adopting a proactive and systematic approach to the implementation and compliance with UNDRIP in the next Assembly.

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