



POLITICAL PRIORITIES 2021-2024 TERM OF OFFICE

Taking into consideration the Kahnawà:ke Community Vision Statement, and through deliberations, the Ratitsénhaienhs of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke have established the following political priorities for the 2021-2024 Term of Office.



LANGUAGE & CULTURAL REVITALIZATION

- ▶ Support the realization of the new Cultural Center/Museum/Theatre
- ▶ Advance and support Language and Cultural Revitalization initiatives and actions



SOCIAL SUPPORTS & WELLBEING

- ▶ Establish a Housing Strategy to adequately address community needs and strengthen family units
- ▶ Establish and implement a Holistic and Comprehensive Approach for Social Development & Wellbeing
- ▶ Implement and support a comprehensive COVID Response and Mental Health & Wellness Plan



EXTERNAL GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

- ▶ Reset and restructure the relationship with Quebec (via a renewed Quebec - Kahnawà:ke Relationship Agreement and pursuant Sectoral Agreements)
- ▶ Reset and restructure the relationship with Canada (via Kahnawà:ke - Canada Relationship Agreement and pursuant Sectoral Agreements) and Negotiations Mandates (including Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis Negotiations)



POLITICAL PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE DECISION MAKING

Ratitsenhaiens of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke take into consideration the following political principles throughout all of their decision making:



SELF-DETERMINATION AND JURISDICTION

As the original people of this land, Kahnawà'kehró:non collectively maintain and assert the authority and responsibility to govern all affairs that occur within our traditional territories.



HOLISTIC SUPPORT AND WELLBEING

Ensuring that we have all areas of support available to our community members to support and foster their emotional, physical, spiritual, mental health and overall well-being.



LANGUAGE & CULTURAL REVITALIZATION

Language and culture is integral to maintain our identity as Kanien'kehá:ka. Fostering protection and promotion are of utmost importance; cultural values must be considered moving forward.



ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

We have a responsibility as Kanien'kehá:ka to protect and preserve Mother Earth, to the best of our abilities, to ensure that we have a clean and healthy environment for all future generations.



UNIFICATION

Our community is most powerful when we are of one mind and we will continue to strive for unifying Kahnawà:ke. Single arrows can only hold so much strength but a bundle of arrows will not be broken; strength is unity.



RESPONSIBLE DECISION MAKING

When decision making on all matters, both internal and external, that affect Kahnawà:ke, leadership is responsible to consider how decisions could affect the next seven generations.



SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Leadership will work toward fostering an economy that will establish an encourage individual and collective self-sufficiency and prosperity; breaking the cycle of fiscal dependency.