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Item No. 11.8.3

Request for Consideration	
Clerk's Office by Noon Clerk's Of	d to Municipal iice by Noon □ Notice of Motion ne day prior
Council or Committee: Regional Council Date of Meeting: June 29, 2021	
Subject: Development of Friendship Accords	
Motion: That Regional Council request a staff report that outlines a process and timeline for exploration of the development of Friendship Accord(s) with the Mi'kmaw Grand Council, the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaw Chiefs, band councils with current and anticipated service agreements with HRM, and any other group staff may identify, per the recently completed engagements regarding the Culture and Heritage Priorities Plan Update, and to consider including First Nations relationships in the terms of reference for the Executive Standing Committee.	
Reason: Research and engagement to complete Sharing Our Stories – Supporting Culture and Heritage in HRM, also known as The Culture and Heritage Priorities Plan (CHPP) has been underway for the past three years.	
Recently work on the project included significant engagement with the Assemble, Grand Council, band councils, and other First Nations groups.	
Throughout these discussions several common themes have emerged that go beyond the scope of the CHPP project including the need for exploration of the development of a Friendship Accord(s).	
Establishing more formal and regularized relationships is a critical first piece of addressing all the themes that emerged during this engagement. This report would be the first step in identifying a process and resources to enter into these discussions.	
Outcome Sought: Options for possible creation Friendship Accords.	
Moved Councillor Waye Mason ORIGINAL SIGNED	District 7
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