

## Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

We would like to begin by acknowledging that we are in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory and the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Nibisiing Anishinaabeg (Nipissing People).

The people of Nipissing First Nation, known as the Nibisiing (or Nipissings), are of Ojibway and Algonquin descent and have lived in the area of Lake Nipissing since time immemorial.

We thank the generations of people who have been stewards of these lands for thousands of years before us. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this place. We also recognize the contributions of Indigenous people (First Nation, Métis, and Inuit) in shaping and strengthening our community, our province, and our country.

As settlers, this recognition of the contributions and historic importance of Indigenous people must also be connected to a collective commitment to make the promise of Truth and Reconciliation real in our communities.