

DECLARATION

We the Indigenous screen storytellers

United in this Northern corner of our mother the earth

In a great assembly of wisdom we declare to all nations

We glory in our past

- when our earth was nurturing our oral traditions
- when night sky evoked the visions of our dreams
- when sun and the moon were our parents in stories told
- when storytelling made us all brothers and sisters
- when our stories brought forth great chiefs and leaders
- when justice was upheld in the stories told

We will

- Hold and manage Indigenous cultural and intellectual property
- Ensure our continued recognition as primary guardians and interpreters of our culture
- Respect Indigenous individuals and communities
- Faithfully preserve our traditional knowledge with sound and image
- Use our skills to communicate with nature and all living things
- Heal our wounds through screen storytelling
- Preserve and pass on our stories to those not yet born

We will manage our own destiny and maintain our humanity and pride as Indigenous peoples through Screen Storytelling

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