

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1526

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is Memorial University of Newfoundland despite the website seeming to want to drop the “of Newfoundland” part. We named the school in honour of our fallen in WWI who sung this song as their national anthem. It is a song that instills pride in all of our province. MUN seems to have no problem accepting our tax dollars yet lately seems to be offended by our history and traditions. I think a better one to ask this question is to those who chose to drop it and ask why are they even working at MUN seeing as they seem to dislike its heritage?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It was the national anthem of our country, the country that those fallen soldiers we called it Memorial in memory of, served. It is the provincial anthem of our province. The one that pays the bulk of MUNs funding and the one MUN was created to serve. If this is now offensive to those running MUN or even just dated and pointless, then perhaps MUN is no longer NL’s university and thus should fund itself as a full private institution. I don’t think I have the space to share how upset I am about this recent change.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Yes. MUN is not the property of its senate, board, or faculty and staff. It is the property of the people of this province. These above groups are simply its custodians and if this province feels they are not doing their duty they will be replaced or discarded. This act of removing the Ode tells me MUN’s custodians are not living up to the responsibilities they’ve been handed by their predecessors and I will be supporting any politician or future board nominee who supports seeing this wrong corrected. I also think those who are offended by MUNs heritage and traditions should resign.

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Honour

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes , it's tradition and important to Newfoundland and its people

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It instills imagery of the terrain of the island. It is also a part of my childhood having sung it at school many times!

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, as the university is the only one in the province. But! Convocation should also include official and permanent representation of Labrador through its anthem or otherwise. The ceremony should include BOTH Newfoundland and Labrador or neither.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represents culture , heritage , and pride or what means to be a Newfoundlander or occupy Newfoundland

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes . The Ode Signifies the uniqueness and pride of the province that one would have experienced through living and/or studying with Newfoundland and Labrador

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Everything! And your intro to this survey is quite misleading. True it became provincial anthem in 1979 but only because there was no other designation that could be applied. No other province had a national anthem from before confederation with Canada. A simple google search verifies that. Only 2 others have a provincial anthem and both were written after joining Canada. The Ode to Nfld is an important part of our history and should be included in official events. "Why not?" one might ask. "What's the harm?" We love it, are also Canadians happy to sing "Oh Canada" as well.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. I do. You call it a provincial anthem. In fact it was our national anthem. Happy to be a Canadian but why ignore our pride with our history.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No. You got it! Thanks for the opportunity.

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It means respect for and valuing tradition, our culture, our university and our Province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, definitely

It is about respect as noted above

Is there anything else you would like to add?

With the current societal issues, it is more important than ever to maintain as much structure and ties to our deep rooted values, traditions and institutions as possible for guidance and leadership. If we don't maintain our traditions and culture, it will be lost, as will respect for it.

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is an important part of newfoundland culture.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, mun is a newfoundland institution that owes a lot to this province and it's people, as well as having a large number of newfoundlanders who convocate every year. It is disrespectful to not play it.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The ode is not offensive in any way and the individuals who complain about it are just trying to create controversy for mun.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff		Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a lovely tribute to the province but I am not sentimental about it.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I am indifferent but, if it were to be included, the "Ode to Labrador" should also be considered. I think there should be a balance.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

n/a

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It has great historic Value.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, this is been part of MUN since 1925.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

More attention should be given to other items of importance not trivial items like these. Spend money on fixing the place up or knocking down old buildings. If someone do not want to listen to the Ode to NFLD then don't go to convocation.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

it was always sung

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

yes, I sang it at my convocation

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a part of our culture for as long as I can remember and a core part of the fabric of this province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes.. for reason noted above and to ensure we do not lose part of our heritage

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a symbol of pride in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Whether the graduate comes from Newfoundland and Labrador or not, they have spent significant time in our province. Convocation is a time for graduates to reflect on their journey, their accomplishments and the people and places that helped them along the way. In my opinion, the playing of the Ode to Newfoundland is a symbol of respect to the province where they gained their degree. It should be played.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I feel that showing respect and pride in our province does not disrespect other places. If the issue is the absence of Labrador in the song, maybe the first verse could be switched with the Labrador verse.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a song that says "Newfoundland." Maybe not Labrador, but it says Newfoundland.

The melody is stirring. It excites.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes.

s. 40 (1) [REDACTED] and I am proud of that fact. But I also am a Newfoundlander. We can be both! And there should be one song to express it.

O Tannenbaum (music to the Ode to Labrador) doesn't cut it!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

"As loved our fathers..."

Change to forebears.....

In the third verse....

include Labrador

This has become too political....and too bureaucratic.

And dare I say, with too many academics involved.

It's become a version of "how many angels can you fit on the head of a pin?"

Involve some of the province's (and Labrador too!) poets and songwriters....

they are much more in touch with the feeling of what it means to

belong to this vast, wild, and beautiful province.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Profound respect for all Newfoundlanders who have preceded, and contributed to the unique culture now enjoyed by, us.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Unquestionably, yes, for reason stated in above 2.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I regard recent omission of the Ode from Memorial University of Newfoundland Convocations as being contemptuous; and as having occurred absent any rational explanation (either provided or apparent).

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represents the pride I have for Newfoundland and it's people

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, because it should be a proud moment for all Newfoundlanders. We should be proud to be from here, and just as proud to graduate from the Province's only university. The ode connects us to the University and Province

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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	Current Memorial Student		Other: s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I have always loved the Ode. I love that it represents a time when Newfoundland was a country; I love that it is about the weather mostly; and I love that it uses the word 'love' so much.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes; but perhaps not in its current form, and I certainly don't think this should be forced on anyone. See below for my further thoughts.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

If the Ode is reintroduced to convocations, it should be with careful contextualization and some changes. One of the biggest issues for me is that it does not reference Labrador, an enormously important and all too often overlooked part of our polity. Not only this, but Labrador is also home to the majority of our Indigenous population. Leaving them out is just not good enough.

So, either add a song about Labrador or, better still in my mind, take this very understandable challenge to the Ode as an opportunity to rethink and reframe our collective belonging to this beautiful place. We have a wealth of poets and artists and songsmiths in Newfoundland and Labrador, why not rewrite some of the lyrics? Include a verse that speaks of Labrador's very different weather. Include lines that reflect on our new and more informed attitudes to colonialism and to gender. Include Innu words, Mi'kmaw words, and Inuit words. Instead of this becoming a 'us vs them' war over 'woke' and 'conservative' viewpoints, this could be an example of best practice for forging a new way forward that respects people's memories and emotions toward the Ode and all it symbolises, while also updating it and making it more meaningful and inclusive for everyone.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff		Alumni
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	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represent the legacy of the province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes ... Aside from the obvious issues with colonial perspectives that colonial history feeds into the formation of the university. In my mind the ode celebrates the land ... and yes, perhaps that is from a colonial perspective but that is our history.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I think we could consider adjusting the words to reflect some sensibilities that we as a community now recognise.

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Yes

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	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a song for our province, like O Canada is for Canada.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I think it should be, just by virtue of us being Memorial University of Newfoundland. Why wouldn't a university in a specific province include that provinces song? It seems like a natural conclusion to make.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I don't think it's a big deal if it's included or not, but it does make sense for it to be included in my opinion.

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's the provincial anthem of the province I was born and raised in. Very important to me.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It is our provincial anthem.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It is absurdly ridiculous that money has been wasted making this decision. Multiple people should be fired over this.

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is the single most demonstrative method to display our pride and love for our homeland, Newfoundland and Labrador, remembrance of our forefathers and their sacrifice for us and a memorial to them.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. If you have trouble understanding why, try and remember the name of the university.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Yes. The university should be ashamed of itself for removing the ode. A small collection of woke bullies should not set policy for Memorial University of Newfoundland. Shame on you. [REDACTED]

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Yes

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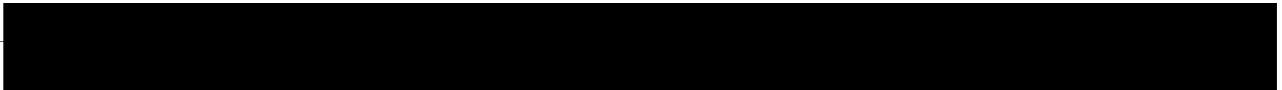
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Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

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Is there anything else you would like to add?

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No

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I cannot sing or even listen to the Ode without choking up with emotion. It conjures for me the joys and suffering of my forbears, and how those shared joys and suffering draw us all together as Newfoundlanders.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Singing the Ode at Convocation speaks clearly of our shared identity as Newfoundlanders, and announces the connection of the University with the province and its people.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No.

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Yes

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Longstanding expression of pride in the history of our province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Ode should be included. Just like the name of the university itself, a reflection of pride on our past.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I am a proud Newfoundlander and proud Alumni of Memorial. The Ode to Newfoundland is more important to me than O Canada. I feel a greater emotional connection to the Ode as it reflects my Newfoundland heritage and the sacrifices made by prior Newfoundland generations.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes.

s. 40 (1)

It was the most emotional moment of every convocation ceremony. The inclusion of the Ode reflected Memorial's unique history and place within Canada and Newfoundland's own historical sovereignty. I would be disappointed and disheartened if the Ode was removed from future convocations and feel less connected to Memorial.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff		Alumni
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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride of being a Newfoundland institution and its linkage to the "memorial" dedication of Newfoundlanders

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes- to commemorate why the institution was created and still stands

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Do what's 'right'- while we all strive to be respectful and inclusive, the elimination of the Ode was a very back-handed approach

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Yes

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It means tradition and history - and pride.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes it should - but I also believe that there should also be a recognition of Labrador at the same juncture in the proceedings. So, unless the Province adopts a different ode, I would like to see 2 things sung - one that honors Newfoundland and one that honors Labrador.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Everything NL - it is our anthem which defines who we are and where we came from

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes - it is our anthem and part of our heritage - although some may like parts of our history it is not enough reason to cancel our anthem

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Stay with the Ode

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is who Newfoundland is. There is a national war memorial site in Ottawa and a site in Newfoundland and Labrador. We are a different institution and our university was established to remember (Memorial) those who fought in two world wars as our sons and daughters. Are we ashamed to sing and give thanks for our history?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It could be helpful to those who might not know the history to have a brief explanation of why we sing and give thanks.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Do not exclude people by not singing but invite them to remember why our institution has its name.

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Yes

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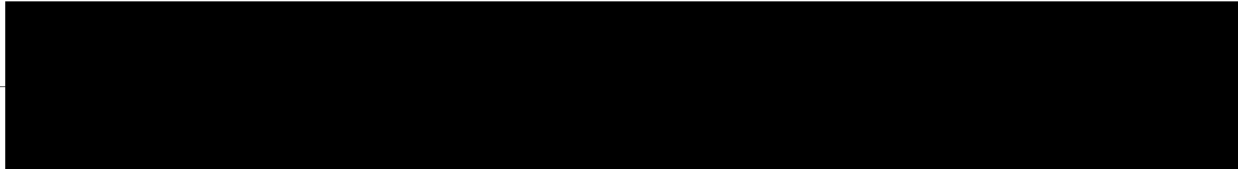
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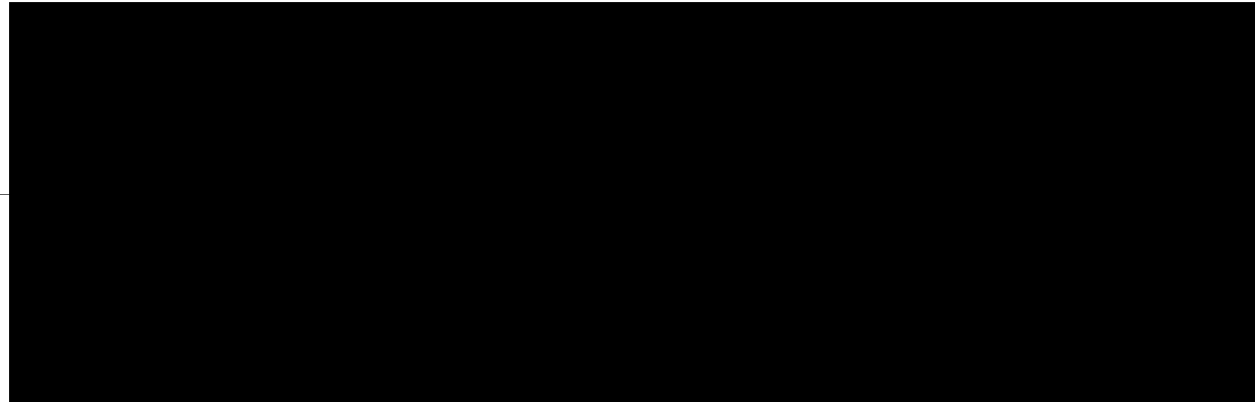
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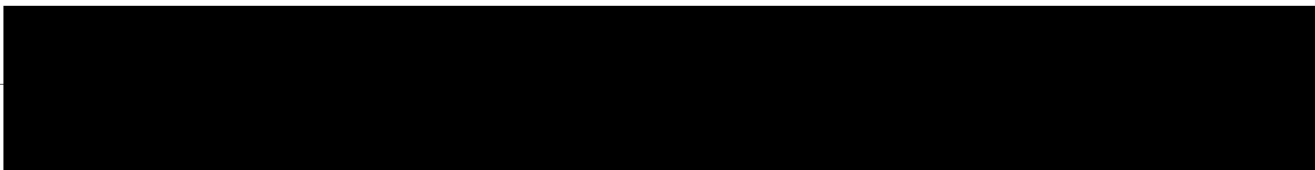
Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

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Is there anything else you would like to add?

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1556

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Means history, roots, our past and just about anything that signifies who we are and where we came to settle.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I do. It's us. Why would you want to get rid of it?

Is there anything else you would like to add?

nope

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1557

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It captures the very essence of our rugged and beautiful island. It represents pride of the incredible people who did and do so very much to establish the soul of our island home

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, for the same reasons as outlined in question 1

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1558

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is part of my identity as someone who was born and lives in NL. It is a source of pride.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Because it should be part of such celebrations of the accomplishments of NL graduates.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1559

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is very meaningful to me as it is a tribute to our great province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It should be included as it is Newfoundland's official anthem.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1560

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

X	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

As loved our fathers, so we love

Where once they stood, we stand

We love thy..

It is a heart's song of love and belonging.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. This University was built as a living memorial of the men and women of Newfoundland and Labrador who laid down their lives not only in our world wars but also in the keeping of this land both the island and the big land. It is remembering what this University was built from.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

As a Newfoundlander and proud of where I come from, it was very much an insult to even have considered not to sing The Ode to Newfoundland. To exclude it fails to remember why Memorial University was built.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1561

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It had been a mainstay of special events in this province for more than a century. It is a pure expression of a Newfoundlander's love of the land and yet another piece of our history some faction is trying to take away from us in the name of political correctness. Abandoning the song was a weak move. The song is about strength and we should address the issue with strength and resolve.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, abandoning the song and our history in the name of the current iteration of political correctness is avoiding the issues it presents. We should not bury those issues and wash away the perceived sins of those who have gone before. We should address them head on.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The current lyrics are the expression of two men with honourable intentions 123 years ago. But they were men of their time and their worldview is not the view of today. Enough of our provinces culture and history has been washed away due to one agenda or another.

We should address the issue with courage and conviction. The current lyrics do not fully reflect the people we are today and does not acknowledge all those who were a part of creating this land. The land that all who were born here, have a unique and profound connection.

How do we do that? I suggest two approaches. Some small updates to the lyrics, very small updates to the lyrics. Perhaps forebearers instead of fathers, add Labrador to the title, and perhaps add a verse in the same style that acknowledges those who stood on the land before us. Retain God. Rather we should acknowledge our definition of that has changed with the addition of many faiths from around the world.

The other facet would be the acknowledgement and recognition of the concerns, the identification and discussion historical relevance and social issues this effort is trying to address. It is very easy to burn a book or ban a song. It is much harder to bring the history out in the open, make the song a living document that reflects who we are today, and be flexible enough to accept the change.

Removing the Ode is the absolutely wrong thing to do and is an expression of weakness. We cannot undo our perceived mistakes of our forebearers by erasing them. It is the wrong lesson for those who will come after us. Face the dirty history, acknowledge it, take steps to provide the context to understand it, and strive to be better. Cancelling our history is not Newfoundland and Labrador.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1562

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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Memorial Staff	Alumni
Memorial Faculty	Community Member
Current Memorial Student	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

For me, the Ode is our provincial anthem. In its words, I find expression of the love for, and pride in, this place where I was born and in which I have chosen to live, work, and

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Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes it most definitely should be included in Convocation. It is a part of Newfoundland, as is Memorial University, and it represents the place and the people of this province, and it is widely recognized as doing so.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I realize that the decision to remove the ode was made because there was some feeling that it did not represent everyone who walks across the stage at convocation, but what would represent everyone? When you try to be everything to everyone, you run the risk of being nothing to anyone. Removing the ode was the wrong decision. Please do the right thing and reinstate it.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1563

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

A significant cultural component of Newfoundland and Labrador society and heritage.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. MUN is N&L's university, commemorating Newfoundlanders who lost their lives in World War 1. While it has grown to enrol foreign students and employ foreign staff, making MUN a neutral facility by not playing Newfoundland's own anthem in order not to offend (as I understood a reason for not playing the song), is counterproductive to promoting and maintaining our culture. It also takes away from making MUN distinctive.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The surveying about changing the practice should have been done before the decision was made. That said, I think it reasonable to recognize that most people would have been against this decision, and the idea should have not gone past the stage of asking the question. The time and money could be better spent elsewhere.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1564

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1565

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I am a Newfoundlander and I think it describes our land quite well.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes - but I would rename it the Ode to Newfoundland and Labrador and I would omit the last verse of the ode.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Parts of our national anthem lyrics have been changed so I see no reason not to change some of the wording in our Ode.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1566

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Connects me with the history of the province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, given the name of the institution

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Singing of the Ode is not a huge tasks but recognizes the historical relationship between the university and our people

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1567

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is the summation of all that is Newfoundland.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. For tradition and to remind the university community of all that is good about the place we live.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

no

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1568

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
X	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

While it certainly means something significant to the heritage of Newfoundlanders, it does so, in part, at the expense of Indigenous peoples who also have heritage here. because of this, it has come to mean something different to me than it originally did. I now understand it as a piece of colonial heritage that is continuing colonialism in the present.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I do not. While it is important to one group of people in Newfoundland, it causes harm to Indigenous peoples, both in this province and those from away who come to Memorial University. If something causes harm, it shouldn't go ahead even if some--or many--people like it. There is also the important difference between stakeholders whose heritage and ethnicity are already central and thus taken care of at Memorial, and rightsholders whose heritage and ethnicity are oppressed, erased, ignored, or subservient to dominant heritage.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It is deeply unfortunate, and I think duplicitous, that this survey does not explain what is at stake in the previous change in removing the ode. I think lots of other white settlers would be in favour of removing or even updating the ode if they just understood why. The way it was yanked away with no explanation was unfortunate, I hope the process for however that decision was made has been changed and has better oversight or input or more capable people are in charge of those decisions. It was very poorly handled, and that may work against doing the right thing here.

I sincerely hope that whichever body is making the decision here understands that this is not something appropriate for a vote, where majority rules. When something that is very important to white heritage causes harm to Indigenous relations and Indigenous peoples are always in the minority in feedback, our university, and the island community, then a vote is not appropriate. Upholding Indigenous rights is more important, as well as just being an enlightened university that is able to recognize that change is central to all our survival and flourishing.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1569

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a representation of the identity of Newfoundlanders and the province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Why have other performances and music from other nations/countries, when we have nothing from our own province? We should be celebrating our province and the beautiful province that others have chosen to live in for university.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Most all sitting around me were not very interested. I would recommend removing one of those miscellaneous performances and have them perform the ode to Newfoundland instead

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1570

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Recognition of the province and the men and women for whom the University is named. We make great effort to recognize indigenous history why did we stop the Ode in the first place. The decision to end it in was short sighted and insulting.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. See above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1571

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [redacted]

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

To me, even being [redacted] the Ode symbolized pride in Newfoundland and commitment to the future as well as a reflection on the past history. It is non-violent in general and thus is set apart from many other anthems. I do recognize the lack of inclusion of Labrador and indigenous peoples and would like to see that changed.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes I do. Now, more than ever, to feel rooted in and committed to a place is important. Much is changing in the wider world and here and to be reminded of one's spot in that world is a good thing. Plus it is a lovely anthem.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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I find the decision to drop the Ode to be short sighted and to to reflect and neo-liberal agenda where we are all expected to move to centre of the road sameness. [redacted] and the Ode is unique. It should be kept and used more in fact. [redacted] hardly any event began without the Ode and it was great.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1572

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is a source of pride for me. It speaks to the beauty of the land and remembers the strength and resilience - in the face of challenges - Newfoundlanders had in taking care of their land.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. I understand that some of the language is now outdated, but we can still embrace its cultural significance, representative of the strong history of the province. "As loved our fathers" also honours and remembers the generation of men killed in WW1, the namesake of the University. "God guard thee, Newfoundland" was their prayer, too.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1573

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

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[REDACTED]

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1574

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is collective acknowledgement by Newfoundland & Labradorians' of the love of their province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes - to acknowledge a fundamental identification of the province hosting & supporting the university granting the degree

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I hope the University brings back the Ode

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1575

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a song that makes me feel proud to be part of this great Province of Newfoundland. Its culturally rich and reminds me of challenges of the past and how we have always worked together and how beautiful the geography is here.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Absolutely! When students choose Memorial to study I'm sure our Province and its people is what has drawn them to study here. The song is a beautiful representation of our Province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Every place has its traditions and music. Don't take it away here just because some students who graduate have not grown up here. I'm sure when it is sung, students will have beautiful memories of their time here in this Province and at Memorial.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1576

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is an important part of our history. When I hear the Ode to Newfoundland, I immediately feel a sense of pride for our beautiful province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1577

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Nothing. I hadn't even heard of it until recent years

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

No.

The province is Newfoundland and Labrador so why would you use a song that only refers to part of the province

Is there anything else you would like to add?

If it was suggested to incorporate a song into the convocation ceremony that only reflects the Labrador portion of the province, there would be an outcry and the majority of people would think it is justified...why is this any different?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1578

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni	s. 40 (1)
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member	
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [Redacted]	

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is part of our cultural evolution and traditions. It reflects who we were and should be part of what we build on rather than tear down.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, it should be included. Some words can be changed if necessary but one cannot keep going back and rewriting history. History, both good, questionable and bad, is what it is. One can add the Ode to Labrador as well to reflect the recognition of that part of our province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I think that there are more important things that MUN can do rather than deleting things. Addition is always more positive than subtraction. [Redacted]

s. 40 (1) [Redacted] and I was always proud of my roots and I found the idea of deleting the ode to be insulting and disrespectful. It is a taxpayer funded university. Such important decisions should not be the prerogative of a transient university community.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1579

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1580

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It connects us to our tremendous history as a people. A memorial in song...bringing the past and present together. Our humble beginnings of surviving off the land have made us the grounded, deeply creative and community-minded people that we are, regardless of where in the world we end up.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Remember the origin of the university. Be careful of creating another powerful merchant vs humble worker dichotomy. Some of our most brilliant minds come from our rural areas where children grow up in nature harnessing their brilliant creativity. Some of our most brilliant minds come from our poorest homes, that do not have credit cards for applying to MUN. These are the same socioeconomic groups that filled the Newfoundland Regiment. Honour our ancestors by removing barriers to these young people. Honour our roots. Be careful trying to 'compete' with mainland universities and in doing so making Memorial University of Newfoundland elitist.... As it will certainly not make it better. It will dishonour its origin. And it will not benefit us as a province.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1581

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: Former faculty

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is an essential statement of identity and a marker of deep remembrance. It is part of a conversation between what we have been and what we may become.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Absolutely. The University is, among other things, custodian of a heritage unlike any other. The world is full of mid-sized universities -- this one is rooted in a distinctive place, with a rich culture, and manages to stand apart. It is, of course, involved in international networks of research, but it is also a very local institution. The inherited symbols of that locality need to be honoured, even as new signs of identity come into play.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Cultural erasure in the name of inclusivity is a contradiction. Inclusion of neglected identities can be accomplished by other means -- direct acknowledgements at the ceremony, but also associated art displays, concerts, readings and recitations. I should add, additionally, that I am open to the addition of "and Labrador" to the versification of the ode. I understand that can work melodically.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1582

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It means pride in my home province, the Ode has a place in any ceremony taking place in Newfoundland.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. The Ode to Newfoundland is an important part of our culture and history, and Memorial University is in Newfoundland. If someone chooses to study in Newfoundland, they should respect our traditions.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1583

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Tradition

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes because it represents the history and tradition of Newfoundland since before it joined Canada. I think the lyrics could be changed to make it more appropriate while still maintaining the integrity culture and traditions of Newfoundlanders

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1584

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1) [Redacted]

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1585

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Newfoundland and Labrador's National Anthem

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It's been played at all major events in the province for more than a century.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I know that this is beyond the purview of this committee but if the last verse was changed to:

As loved our elders, so we stand

Where once they stood before

Their prayers we raise, to heaven above

God guard thee Newfoundland and Labrador

The Ode would be more appropriate for the modern era. bm

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1586

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

History, tradition, pride.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, absolutely!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1587

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pays respect to the great environment in which we live and love. Yes

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Encourages patronage to our land.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1588

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes It is a part of history

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1589

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It speaks to the pride I feel about this province. We need to include Labrador in the lyrics somehow.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, it speaks to our history.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The lyrics stir pride of the province in me, but there needs to be more inclusiveness of our past inhabitants.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1590

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's the provincial anthem much like O Canada

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, it's the province in which your degree was issued

Is there anything else you would like to add?

What do other universities do? Do others simply play the national anthem? If so maybe we should follow suit?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1591

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1)

And we are afraid to offend someone because we sing the Ode??? If we think we should not have it, then why do we sing the Canadian national anthem and have the Lieutenant Governor in attendance? Surely that offends some?

Also, I am ok with not singing it.... But only if we change the name of the university to exclude "Memorial".

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. See previous answer.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Include at Convocation ASAP.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1592

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Significant tie to our past .

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes . It is a part of our heritage .

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1593

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a beautiful song that proclaims the natural wonder and magnificence of our province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, to highlight the pride we, and our new graduates, have from the fact that we/they have been fortunate enough to be educated in this beautiful place.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

FYI, pretty sure CBC radio plays the ode every morning. Why?

Because it is a universally accepted spectacular piece of music that illustrates the beauty of the land and "all" peoples who live here now and in the past.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1594

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode represents the essence and history of Newfoundland.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. There is no reason why the Ode cannot be sung and the Labrador anthem also. This way the whole province -the island Newfoundland and main land Labrador are both represented at important University functions.including Convocation Ceremonies.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1595

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's who we are.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes....again it's because it's who we are.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1596

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I enjoy it as a piece of music and as a symbol of my home province, and while I don't enjoy the final verse as much due to its colonial/religious overtones, the verses about the land and weather make me feel very proud and happy. Singing it is very enjoyable.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I believe that removing the Ode but not O Canada was a half-measure that didn't end up making anyone all the way happy. I believe it belongs in convocation ceremonies as much as O Canada, and I believe that either both should be removed or both should be kept. They're both short anthems relating to the place where MUN is located, and they both have dated colonial/religious overtones. I would like the Ode to be included because I like the music of it, but I feel like both including it and not including it are justifiable positions.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I feel that O Canada is a more insensitive song than the Ode, in the context of the history of this country's brutal colonialist relationship with indigenous peoples. (It begins with "our home and native land", when the majority of people in this country are settlers.) In my opinion, if O Canada gets to stay (which I don't think it necessarily should), there's no reason the Ode shouldn't too.

To remove the verse in the Ode with objectionable lyrics, I propose singing only the three verses about the land itself. I know it's not the convention, and there's a strong chance people won't know the middle two as well, but it is a far more neutral alternative, in my opinion. I also personally like those three verses, I enjoy the imagery they evoke of this province.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1597

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Just like our time zone, the Ode represents a uniqueness which other Canadian provinces do not have (less our friends in Quebec). Unlike other provinces, we know the lyrics to our provincial anthem and proudly sign it at many times and places.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. The Ode has been included since the first Convocation and it should never have been removed. For complete representation of our province, I would be 100% fine with adding the Ode to Labrador to the Ceremony. People who suggest neither Ode represents them should remember and recognize why the University exists in the first place - as a memorial to the fallen and to develop the youth of our province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Please add the Ode back to Convocation.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1598

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1)



Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. see above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1599

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a beautiful piece of music that has been the backdrop for this province for years.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes! We are distinct. We do not need to revise or cancel a song that has been at the center of so many ceremonies in order to appease some misguided sense of guilt for historical wrongs. We can acknowledge this without tearing apart what makes this place unique. We are the only province that has such a connection to a singular piece of music. I will continue to song this to the end of my days.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Stop trying to please everyone, and do what is best for Newfoundland and Labrador.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1600

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode to Newfoundland is a tribute to our province, its people and our past, and hearing it always makes me feel proud to be a Newfoundlander.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, MUN is an important part of our province, culture and history, and the Ode should be played at convocation as a part of an important ceremony marking a successful and proud moment for students, whether they are Newfoundlanders or not, having studied at MUN.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The Ode to Labrador should equally be played. Our province is Newfoundland and Labrador, and Labradorians should be included as well.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1601

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It means Nfld my birth place and the place I call home. I was born Canadian but will always be a Newfoundlander first and second Canadian. [REDACTED] s. 40 (1)

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Most definitely! We are proud Newfoundland and Labrador people.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1602

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is an important part of our province's history and serves as a reminder of what makes this province the wonder that it is and acts as a memorial to those lost in battle in the province's name.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes! The university itself is a reminder of those who lost their lives defending the province and the Ode is an integral part of this reminder.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1603

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

s. 40 (1)	Memorial Staff	s. 40 (1)	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Tradition, patriotism, makes us unique

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, yes, yes

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Surprised that this question would ever come up

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1604

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a part of our past and identity. It is a reminder that we stand out on our own, in a unique way, and that's important.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, absolutely! Why remove it is the better question. Let's have something of our own that tells a story of our past, present and future.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1605

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's an anthem to the beauty and resilience of NL.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It has a pomp and circumstance that is befitting an important event. It's a celebration of NL and its natural beauty.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1606

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Because the Ode to Newfoundland is the provincial anthem I believe that it should be included in Convocation Ceremonies.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, for the reason provided above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1607

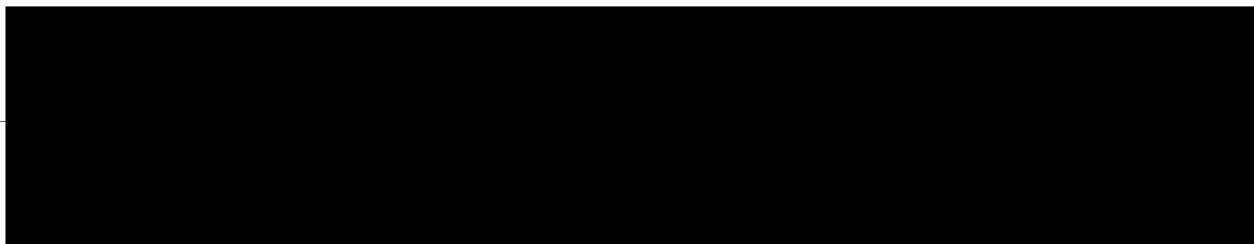
Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?



s. 40 (1)

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Absolutely yes. It is part of who we are. s. 40 (1)

When the decision was made to cancel this anthem, I heard about it on CBC radio as I was driving home from work. [REDACTED] had upset me as much as this decision did. When I arrived home, I went to Youtube and listened to the Ode to Newfoundland.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

1. At the Anglican Cathedral three anthems are sung on special occasions such as the Remembrance Day service. These are: God Save the King, O Canada, and the Ode to Newfoundland. I am happy singing all three.
2. For those who disagree with some of the words of the Ode, I would suggest that the way to change them would be through the House of Assembly.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1608

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

s. 40 (1)

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I authorize the ad hoc Committee to use a direct quote from my anonymous response as part of a summative report to the University's Senate.

No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1609

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

s. 40 (1) What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Nothing. [REDACTED] and it wasn't a big thing growing up, not compared to the national anthem.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I don't have a terribly strong opinion. I'd rather the national anthem be played to be honest. I don't have a personal connection with the Ode, it seems to be a mostly townie project. However, I don't object to it on the grounds that the extremists activists have.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The University needs to get its act together. Stop the nonsense and start focusing on issues that matter. It's shameful what's going on.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1610

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The heart and soul of Newfoundland

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. The 'heart and soul' of the province should be on full display at a university meant to commemorate the sacrifice of so many of the young Newfoundlanders in the Great War.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Pomp and ceremony have a meaning to those graduating and the 'Ode' is a very important part of this.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1611

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It acknowledges the beauty of the land and the value of all people. It denotes pride in our province and its people. It also reflects the sacred service of men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our province and country. People have forgotten their roots and reason for being. There is room to add other songs reflecting on the value and importance of Labrador.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, it has been tradition at all convocations and important events in Newfoundland and Labrador's history. If other songs also need to be played at convocation I am in agreement with that.

s. 40 (1)

The song speaks to a proud history, province and people. I fear in some way people have lost their way!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I feel that it was shameful to stop playing the Ode to Newfoundland without consultation or consideration to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador. It certainly would not have happened at the majority of universities across the country.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1612

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a representation of my identity as a Newfoundlander. Its an anthem on par with O Canada.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Without exception. To omit it is disrespectful.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Reinstate the Ode.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1613

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode represents a sense of place and community in an increasingly placeless world.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, because tradition, sense of place, and identity matter to people. It is a source of pride and distinctiveness.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Thank you to the committee for all their hard work on this non-trivial issue. It may seem small, but it is significant and important.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1614

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university: s. 40 (1)

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Memorial Staff	Alumni
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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represents the beautiful nature of this province and the role we all have in protecting that nature and environment, being part of it, and coming together as a whole population, regardless of where you're from, to make this a place to be proud of.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes it should be included.

The Ode is a way to celebrate the province and its environment as a unique place in the world. I see the Ode as a calling card that should be welcoming to everyone living here. It should not be seen as something that excludes others, but something that brings us together by celebrating the place.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Perhaps the Ode can be updated to include Labrador in one of its many versus.

"God Guard thee Newfoundland

God Guard thee Labrador"

I'm fine with updating, but I think prohibiting it from being part of a ceremony is a backwards step, it doesn't address issues of inclusion that we want to address, it instead created a controversy that's taking time away from dealing with actual issues of inclusion, diversity, and being open and welcoming to others.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1615

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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Memorial Staff	Alumni
Memorial Faculty	Community Member
Current Memorial Student	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a representation of who we are in this province. Whether born here or not, whether your roots are down, will be down, or you are transient in this land, it represents some part of what will always be part of us. This is a beautiful province, one worthy of admiration. I wish to admire it.

s. 40 (1)

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. It represents who we are. Even if someone studies here after moving from abroad, and then moves back, it helps represent something instilled in them.

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It's a way of telling everyone involved that you are in some way part of Newfoundland and Labrador, and now part of it is within you.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Please bring it back. It's a joyous moment for those of us raised here, and a symbol of acceptance for those trying to find their place here.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1616

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other: [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Represents the purpose for which MUN was established “ ... special obligation to the people”

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes. Respect. Honour University mandate as above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Include a statement in Chancellor's remarks acknowledging the importance of diversity on Campus and importance of other cultures. Similar to the purpose served by the land acknowledgement statement. But do not remove the Ode.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1617

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Absolutely

Is there anything else you would like to add?

no

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1618

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff		Alumni
X	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is our provincial anthem

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes...

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1619

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The ode to Newfoundland represents our history as Newfoundlanders and what it means to be a proud Newfoundlander. We are a resilient group of people who see the beauty in the landscapes, climate, and culture of our beautiful province.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, the ode to Newfoundland should be included in convocation ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland because it pays tribute to Newfoundland and the province to which Memorial University is apart of. It is a part of our culture and heritage which should be celebrated and sung during the Convocation ceremony.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1620

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is n part of my cultural heritage and identity.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes as it has historical significance.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1621

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

A nice tune to proclaim my allegiance to Newfoundland which has nurtured me during my formative years.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes, as a token of our gratitude to the land and community of people.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1622

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

X	Memorial Staff		Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Very little, I learned it in school and forgot most of the lines. I would not consider myself a patriotic or nationalistic person.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

I have no strong opinion one way or the other but I think there should have been a larger attempt at discussions BEFORE the decision was made, not after.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1623

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
<input type="checkbox"/>	Memorial Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Memorial Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

PATRIOTISM !!!

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

Yes! Otherwise , we are messing with tradition even history.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 1624

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

	Memorial Staff	X	Alumni
	Memorial Faculty		Community Member
	Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's our anthem and every person from Newfoundland is Newfoundlander first and a Canadian second.

Do you believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be included in Convocation Ceremonies at Memorial University of Newfoundland? If yes, why so? If not, why not?

1000% yes. It's our anthem and it's our motto and creed.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It should never have been removed from the ceremony to begin with.

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Yes