

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2376

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

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. It is our provincial anthem. MUN is the university of this province,

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1) [REDACTED] who chose to not play it at convocation should be fired.

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Celebrates 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. It pays homage to the province in which the education is provided by. It is a time to be proud of the province

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

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What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Part of 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, a memorial to Newfoundland when to was its own country and in honour or the people who fought for Newfoundland in the world wars

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2379

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represents and acknowledgement and respect of the historical significance 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, to acknowledge and respect the province from which you, as a student, have obtained a degree.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It was disappointing to hear of the cessation of the Ode to Newfoundland during Convocation Ceremonies in 2022. My suggestion and preference would be to return the playing of this song to the Convocation Ceremonies going forward.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2380

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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 reflects on our history. Memorial is named for just that, in Memoriam. As an alumni [REDACTED]
 s. 40 (1) [REDACTED] the Ode is a special reminder of what we once stood for.

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 can't believe there was ever a logical argument to exclude it. If some SJW is offended by it then they can either A) Not go to convocation, or B) Attend a different university.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I am sick and tired of people trying to erase our traditions and history just because it might be offensive to a small minority of voices. NFLD was once a proud independent nation. We fought and died for what was right. If people are triggered from hearing a song celebrating our beginnings then that's on them. They'll just have to put on their adult pants and hold back their tears for 2 minutes and 39seconds. They can then run back to their safe spaces and call their therapist. I wish them good luck in the real world.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2381

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's the song of our Province NL. I'm proud of it; and sorry to see the 'woke' people politicizing 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?

Yes, it sings of the pride we have in our province.

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Is there anything else you would like to add?

Play the Ode. As mentioned, MUN not playing it would be a disgrace to its Name, MEMORIAL .

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2382

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Tradition. Unique pride of our home 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. It's an anthem that deserves to be used every opportunity that presents itself

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2383

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

s. 40 (1) [REDACTED] Don't see any problems with using 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?

Again no problem either way

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Not sure why it was dropped. Perhaps more detail should have been provided. If people objecting to it; on what grounds. If ref to fathers then perhaps someone with more musical background could suggest an alternative that rhymes. If trying to accommodate non NL students then you should ditch all ref to NL and Canada (not sure what else is included). However perhaps then you need to take Memorial out of name since I suspect the War Dead the University is named for would have expected it to be there. A suggestion might be to link the singing of the ode to a section in the Convocation recognizing that the University was named for the soldiers that died in WWI and in honour of them we sing the ode. This way it is tied to the founding "fathers" and not to the present students. Best of luck. [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1) [REDACTED]

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2384

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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?

Singing the Ode has always evoked a strong feelings in me of love for and pride in our home and our heritage (and sometimes a tear). However, I recognize that there are at least 4 problems with the Ode's lyrics, and they largely relate to inclusion and the need for our Provincial Anthem to reflect who we are collectively as a people:

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2. The Ode needs to include the indigenous peoples whose ancestors lived here long before Europeans arrived.
3. The Province is officially Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Ode needs to recognize that name.
4. In recent decades, we have welcomed immigrants from many different countries, and we have a much more diverse population than ever before. We are enriched by their presence, and the Ode needs to recognize that they too are Newfoundlanders and Labradorians.

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 (flawed as it is) is the Province's anthem. Memorial is the Province's only university. Memorial was founded by the province as a memorial to people who served and died in war. To this day, Memorial is heavily (though insufficiently) funded by the province's taxpayers. The decision to drop the Ode from Convocation was a facile act that avoided the thought and effort needed to fix the problems with the Ode.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The decision to drop the Ode from Convocation was a mistake, but Memorial can't fix the Ode by itself. The Ode was adopted as the Provincial Anthem by the House of Assembly, and government needs to be part of the solution. Hopefully, the thought and effort Memorial is putting into the question of the Ode at Convocation can result in meaningful involvement by government. I sincerely hope that Memorial has already opened that line of discussion with the government.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2385

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

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

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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 # 2386

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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 reflects our island history for the time it was written.

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. Our island has a distinctive history that is quite different to the rest of Canada. It is not perfect as indigenous people were not included. Society is ever changing, but that does not mean our roots have to be erased. Accommodations can be made to reflect them.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

As there is no reference to Labrador, the appropriate song/ode can be added to the ceremony to be played at the closing.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2387

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a uniquely poignant tribute to the environment in which we live. It speaks to place, and love of place. It is part of what it means to live on the island 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. Memorial is not just some poor imitation of other generic universities. Memorial is inextricably linked to Newfoundland. Memorial should embrace what - and where - it is. None of this, of course, precludes recognition of other places, or cultures, whether indigenous to our province or not. The path to diversity is not paved with generic place-less sentiment. True diversity embraces multiple perspectives, not in one banal statement, but by allowing a variety of cultures to shine in their own right.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Removing the Ode was an insult to our home (whether one is Newfoundland resident by birth or by choice). The process to study the Ode's place is unduly protracted and unnecessary. Memorial leadership needs to get out of its own way and lead. If - for example - indigenous cultures are not sufficiently included in traditional ceremonies, then adapt. The inclusion of the Ode is no more insulting to 'non-Newfoundlanders' (whatever that means) than traditional indigenous art is alienating to white Canadians. Memorial is a unique institution, in a unique place, serving a unique population with a unique culture. That does not mean however that Memorial's ceremony should be entirely based on the dominant culture. Expand, explore, embrace, evolve ... but do not ignore some of the key things that make the institution truly special.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2388

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☐	Current Memorial Student	☐	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

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It's part of our past and part of celebrating the proud Newfoundland and Labrador people that we are. The words are special and should not be forgotten by the next 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?

Absolutely. Convocation is a special day as we honour our hard work. We also should honour our past; those who supported us to get to that day. It is called "memorial" university and we should always respect that.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Please do not exclude this very important song. It's just a few minutes in the ceremony. We should all take the time to listen to those words and honour the past. Omitting it disrespects so many. Why would that be the goal of the university administration?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2389

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☐	Memorial Staff	☒	Alumni
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☐	Current Memorial Student	☐	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride. I love my province. There is no where else on earth that I would choose to live. I always tear up while singing The Ode to Newfoundland. While singing, I visualize our great province and all those that came before.

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. The lyrics refer to pride of place. A direct quote from Memorial University's webpage celebrating Memorial's centennial states: "As Newfoundland and Labrador's only university, Memorial has a special obligation to the people of this province. Established as a memorial to the Newfoundlanders who lost their lives on active service during the First World War and subsequent conflicts, Memorial University draws inspiration from these sacrifices of the past as we help to build a better future for our province, our country and our world." These soldiers fought because of pride of place. What better way to honour them than to continue to sing The Ode to Newfoundland.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It was a sad day when The Ode to Newfoundland was not sung in MUN Convocation Ceremonies. Please do the right thing and bring it back. Honour those who have come before.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2390

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

A song that represents home and where I come 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, the university was built as a memorial for newfoundlanders who went to battle. Using the ode to Newfoundland, they the ceremonies honours our brave soldiers who fought for us to live in this beautiful land

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2391

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

☐	Memorial Staff	☒	Alumni
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☐	Current Memorial Student	☐	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is an important marker of our shared Newfoundland identity and a key public reminder of our 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, the Ode should be included in MUN Convocation Ceremonies. MUN is located in Newfoundland and Labrador and the Ode is the provincial anthem of Newfoundland and Labrador. That reason alone should be sufficient for including the Ode at MUN Convention Ceremonies. The government would be fully justified in cutting off all funding to the university in response to the university's official decision to suspend the singing of the provincial anthem at these ceremonies.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Memorial University of Newfoundland has wasted far too much money and time on this matter. It should have been obvious to university administration from the beginning that the objections to the Ode were spurious and that suspending the singing of the Ode would be inappropriate. The large number of meetings that the ad hoc committee has convened to address the trivial concerns raised about the Ode is a testament to the university's poor prioritization skills that have led to the bad financial situation that has plagued the institution in recent years.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2392

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Tradition and a part of the time honoured ceremony that is a testament to the great place we live in and it is nice to acknowledge where they are being educated. It's not for the people coming in to go to school, they have their own songs which I'm sure are sang at their schools. And anyone who is or will be deciding to stay should know the song and sing with 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 is just a great song that praises NL and its beauty. I'm not sure if it's because we say God in it that it's been cut but the people who call God something else can substitute in their choice of belief or say nothing.. People do that all the time with songs .

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I think it's okay to educate everyone on our ceremony and it's traditions we need to embrace our own culture as we embrace others.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2393

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☐	Memorial Staff	☒	Alumni
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☐	Current Memorial Student	☐	Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I grew up listening to the Ode, especially at school events and public gatherings. it is part of my childhood memories that always filled me with a sense 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?

Definitely, yes. Memorial university was established as a memory to our war veterans. Playing the ode is a tribute to their memory, and respect for our province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The Ode is a very Important part of our heritage and it should remain so.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2394

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a huge part of my life growing up. It was sung at all occasions and it is an unbelievably beautiful song. I fell very proud of my province when I hear 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?

Yes. For the same reasons I stated above. It is part of our identity as Newfoundlanders.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2395

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

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I think it is a nice tradition to continue, gives a sense of place, and connection to Memorial's roots.

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 think it should. it connects future ceremonies with those of the past. I don't know why it was suspended? because the ode to labrador is not included as well?

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2396

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride for our province of 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, the Ode should be included in Convocation Ceremonies because Memorial University is a memorial to those who fought and sacrificed their lives in war. To use the Ode is a way of showing respect and honour these individuals.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2397

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Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is the very respectful heart and soul of what "Memorial University" meant to me as a student there and does so to this very day.

To see it removed is a spiteful slap In the face for all those in whose honour The institute was named.

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! Naturally, Of course, please see above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

What a totally shameful attempt to destroy something so integral to what this so fine an institution was created to embody in honour of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we, who came after them, could stand on guard for them and all that truly is Newfoundland, including its great land to the north called Labrador.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2398

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

A link to our history and a connection to past 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

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Removing the Ode from the convocation ceremony stuck me as an action that was not very well thought through and failed to take into consideration the negative effect that the decision would have on Memorial's stakeholders

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2399

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

Respect to my 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 is a respectful tradition.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

We are losing too many of our traditional ways. It is said, respect is earned. Our great province has earned its title of respect through wars, storms, recessions , tough times and good times.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2400

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Memorial University was raised in memory of those who fell in WWI. The Ode to Newfoundland is the our anthem. The two are inseparable.

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 above

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2401

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode signifies the rich history of Newfoundland as an independent nation.

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 an institution created before Newfoundland's entry into confederation it is important to remember our rich history and the sacrifices made by so many who represented our nation in two world wars.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

If the Ode is viewed as being problematic because of its colonialist origin then additional measures should be taken to acknowledge our aboriginal peoples and their importance in our society.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2402

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☐	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?

No. It adds a layer of geography-linked patriotism that is not relevant to the academic achievement of students. It is nice to keep Newfoundland culture alive, but we should not subject everyone to a cultural experience mandatorily.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2403

Response Summary

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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 means everything to me. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I believe it should be mandatory that the ode is sung at convocation.

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 Newfoundland's song and is a show of respect to the men and women of Newfoundland who fought and died for first the country of Newfoundland, then the province of Newfoundland and northern w the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I would be very disappointed with the university if the ode is not reintroduced.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2404

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?

The trees outside my window are cloaked in shimm'ring white as I write this. Cavendish Boyle's imagery of Newfoundland's nature, both beautiful and savage, speaks to me. We are so indelibly shaped by the weather, the sea, the shore, and the rocky land. The Ode reminds us of the hardships and resilience of our ancestors, professes our love of this land, and asks for protection of this wonderful place we call home. My heart bursts with pride when I hear it 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. Memorial University is the province's university built on a legacy of sacrifice and gratitude, and convocation is the most important event in the university calendar. It is a time we gather to celebrate the academic accomplishments of our students and the cultural and civic accomplishments of our honorary doctorate recipients. Each convocation event is an affirmation that we are making our province a better place while we remember the sacrifices of those who came before us. If a baseball game is worth an anthem, how much more deserving is such an occasion??

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Removing the Ode at convocation has caused irreparable harm to the university. [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1)

[REDACTED] Also, the length of time to resolve this issue has caused further harm. Please make a decision soon!

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2405

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I can't express how touching and powerful the Ode is to me. It fills my heart with pride and love of place every time I hear it. It's about this place.

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 like the tradition and for all the reasons I outlined above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2406

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Represents a feeling of belonging.

It is unique and forms a strong connection between the residents of the province and the place they live, work, and learn.

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 a representative symbol of our province and should be played at convocation at our only university.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Appreciate this consultation.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2407

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Everything! It is a source of pride and joy to me, an indication of where we are from. And who we are. Whenever I hear the anthem it fills me with pride because this is the place where I am from. I find it very emotional to sing the anthem at various venues and celebrations. There is nothing that can replace the Ode to Newfoundland as a representation of our culture 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?

Definitely! It is our university and we should celebrate that. What better way than with the anthem!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Please bring back the Ode to Newfoundland during MUN's Convocation ceremony!

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2408

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?

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?

s. 40 (1)

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1)

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2409

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

☐	Memorial Staff	☒	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 which makes me 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!! See answer to #1 and #4.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I understand that some would disagree with me because of the many (most, I suppose in some disciplines) of the graduates are not Newfoundlanders, or even Canadians. This should be a non-issue. If I were graduating from a university in some faraway land, I wouldn't expect that school to make changes because I was a Newfoundlander.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2410

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode to Newfoundland is the provincial anthem and represents Newfoundlands history and pride in 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, it should be played. We have a rich tradition and heritage in this province. It has traditionally been played and is represents a link to the past and the strength to carry into the future.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2411

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is the official anthem of Newfoundland and Labrador. We should respect that as an institution.

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 # 2412

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?

The pride of being a Newfoundlander, 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. Because it's our anthem, and there's nothing offensive in it. The lyrics are about the beauty of the land for goodness sake, how can that offend anyone? Just sing the Ode to Labrador to make them feel included.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1)

And MUNL should stop pandering to the "oppressed" vocal minority out of fear, and live up their name: MEMORIAL University, and honour the men of this province who died for your very freedom to feel offended...honour them by singing the same anthem they stood for.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2413

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: s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Everything.

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 # 2414

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

☐	Memorial Staff	☒	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?

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2415

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride for my Province and all the people in 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?

Yes. Who has time to read the reasons and decide if they matter? It's a Newfoundland University sponsored by the government and it's ok to be proud of your province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Just play the song so we don't turn right wing uneducated people more right and end up like the States. Trust me, play the song before we end up with a leader who declares hate on a whole group of people in their first speech.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2416

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: s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a very important part of our 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, because it's a very important part of our culture and heritage.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It should be included for the reasons stated above.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2417

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?

The ode to Newfoundland is a lyrical and beloved tribute to the beauty of our province for generations. I do not in any way see how the lyrics can be construed as offensive. We have sung them proudly for many generations, long before they were formally approved as our provincial anthem. Singing this ode together engender a sense of unity, of pride and of gratitude for this beautiful place we call home. I beg you to reverse this stupid decision to remove the ode from the convocation ceremony. The controversial decision has damaged Memorial's Reputation and support in the community.

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. In addition to my answer to the first question, The University was established to honor the sacrifice of the many young Newfoundlers who died in the first world war. I believe a decision like this dishonors their sacrifice and the intentions of the founders of the University

Is there anything else you would like to add?

s. 40 (1)

I am a very strong supporter of the MEMORIAL. There are many serious issues facing Memorial in these troubling times. Unnecessary controversy and discontent is not helpful.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2418

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Love for 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

We are proud Newfoundlander's

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2419

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)

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?

s. 40 (1)

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No

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2420

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is an integral part of our history and a song I grew up listening to and singing. Bring it back!!

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?

I personally will never support Memorial University nor will I recommend Memorial University to any young person considering accessing a post secondary education as long as the ode continues to be excluded from convocation ceremonies

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2421

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Traditional 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 it should be included, it is part of our provincial history and a symbol of pride in our province

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2422

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is part of the fabric of who I am and I swell with pride when I sing 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 certainly do, it should be part of every convocation ceremony. We should be proud of our Ode, proud of what it says about Newfoundland, and then remember how and why the university received its name. The Ode is completely intertwined with the identity and fabric and history of Memorial University.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The Ode should never have been removed from convocation ceremonies. If we erase all that makes us special and unique, we flatten our identity as Newfoundlanders. Labrador has a beautiful anthem too, let's add that to convocation ceremonies. Let's celebrate who we are.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2423

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

My identity as 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, because it's the Memorial University of NEWFOUNDLAND. It's our provincial anthem and an integral part of our heritage. It's frankly insulting that it's not even included.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I'd rather you kept it off than change the lyrics if that's one of the things you wanna do.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2424

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?

Makes me feel pride and attachment to my birthplace and my home. Reminds me that life in this place is not always easy but is always worth 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?

Yes. The ode is something special that we can all share -- those born here, here by choice or to take refuge or other types of attachment.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Is that all you are asking? Wow. s. 40 (1)

I know there are some words in the Ode, or missing from the Ode, that some would like changed. For example, [REDACTED] It may be possible to make changes to be more inclusive, especially with regard to Labrador. I would welcome them. For the present, other ways can be found to incorporate alongside the Ode. (But please, no more weather!) It's a special song, not a perfect one, and it can evolve with changing times.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2425

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a part of our history and what demonstrates what a proud people we are. It conveys what our province represents, its beauty and 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, absolutely. The university is named as a memorial to those men and women who fought for Newfoundland, even before it was a province. The Ode is a strong part of that pride, culture and remembrance. It should never be taken out of convocation ceremonies.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

All who graduate from Memorial University of NEWFOUNDLAND should be honoured to have the Ode included.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2426

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?

It's 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. It's our anthem. Same as 'Oh Canada'.. As the University is named in honor of our Veteran's.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2427

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is a part of the fabric of Newfoundland. It captures the essence of the past and the heart of a 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. If you lose contact with your past, you will not understand where you have been and what the foundations are that guide the people you are surrounded by.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Keep a piece of history does not preclude other additions that talk to your present or where you wish to go in the future.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2428

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Means a lot and reminds me of our forefathers and how they stood for our freedoms today.

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. Traditional significance and it should remain forever

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2429

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Traditional Ole symbolizes the sacrifice that our ancestors endured in this land!! Please celebrate them in song!

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! This is non debatable! To remove it was an insult to my culture and tradition- shame on those decision makers!!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Memorial University is located in the greatest province in Canada - Please don't disrespect our heritage!! Be proud not ashamed of our history!!!

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2430

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a reminder to every one of the importance of this land to those living here. It highlights the uniqueness of our province which we all embrace as part of our homeland.

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 should be included in the convocation ceremony because it will remind those in attendance of the wonderful province of Newfoundland. Why not add the Labrador ode or song which I have heard, a verse of each one.

The ode has always been included in ceremonies and we should not allow others to dictate what we should include. MUN is a memorial to Newfoundlanders, so is the ode.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It is important that graduating students be aware of the wonderful province where their university is located. We should not be eliminating important parts of the ceremony, or all we will have left is the student's name, take the diploma, speeches from whoever? Maybe the speeches should be shortened to allow time for the ode.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2431

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?

The ode express our love, as Newfoundlanders, 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, the Ode should be included. The Ode was our official national anthem when Mun was built, in memory of our young men and women who lost their lives, fighting for our then country, Newfoundland.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I would like to add that the Ode should have never been removed without the publics consent. It should be reinstated at the next Convocation Ceremonies.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2432

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

☐	Memorial Staff	☒	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?

Yes - it is an important part of the heritage of Newfoundland and Labrador.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2433

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is NL, It is part of our culture. Those poor veterans gave their lives. It is Memorial, so keep what they have started. I feel proud when I hear 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?

Yes, indeed it should! Don't fix what is not broken. Leave the Ode, it belongs to all of us and it should be sung!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2434

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: s. 40 (1)

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is the anthem of our beautiful province. Our beautiful home. It symbolizes the great, free land filled with compassionate, friendly, resilient people. When I hear the Ode to Newfoundland I feel proud to be a part of such a 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, it is a symbol of Newfoundland.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

We have been stripped of so much of our identity as Newfoundlanders, please let us keep this part of our identity.

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.

Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2435

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It helps recognize Newfoundland as a distinct land and 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?

Newfoundlanders are a unique people with a acceptance of other peoples differences as a enrichment to our own identity.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2436

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It relates to the MEMORIAL aspect of the name Memorial University.

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, keep some traditions

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Stop making stupid decisions.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2437

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The ode represents the collective community of Newfoundlanders. It is the song which identifies the history of the island and while we are so much more than just that now, it is important to remember the pride that the island people have for this place.

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. It makes people hold their head higher and feel pride in the achievement they have received at convocation at this university.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It is a beautiful song. Having music and emotional music is a must at convocation!

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2438

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It makes me proud to be a NLER.

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 believe that the Ode to Newfoundland should be sang at MUN Convocations, but if the issue is with it not being inclusive, then maybe the words can be changed a little or new sections be added to include Labrador.

Does Labrador have an anthem? If so, why not sing both?

I definitely think it should be sung at the convocations. We have already lost so much of our culture, we shouldn't to willingly take other things away. Make it more inclusive so that it represents the entire province as it now is.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2439

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?

I grew up hearing the ode played next to the Canadian anthem in assemblies. Now I think how rarely I hear either- except perhaps sport games for national anthems. I don't associate it with any particular pride of the province- just something part of the administration of things.

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 particularly think it matters. I understand that indigenous people and those from Labrador have expressed it causes them to feel excluded. I don't believe the Ode adds anything- so if the effect has a negative influence why have it at all? At the end of the day convocation is meant to honour the academic achievements of students- it seems bizarre to force participation of the students to anything beyond calling their name and awarding them their degree. A speech, sure, or some musical component for enjoyment, but the ode seems an odd thing to put everyone through when it isn't inclusive of the province (re Labrador) and also it's irrelevant to the purpose of the events: handing out degrees.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2440

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 very important to my identity as a Newfoundlander and Labradorian. [REDACTED]

s. 40 (1) [REDACTED] It was always at a special occasion at school. That is why it is such an important part of convocation. It imparts that sense 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, definitely. It is a part of our history and culture. It is unique to us as a province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I think we need to uphold our history and keep our rich culture and music as part of our identity as Newfoundland and Labrador's University.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2441

Response Summary

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

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

A connection to the history of my province and a reminder of what my ancestors struggled through to live her. It brings me a sense of pride in my home 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, as it is part of the history that Memorial University was created to honour. I understand the need to be inclusive, but we can set limits (or are we going to remain the University too) on what we change, while adding to convocation in a way that also recognizes the original peoples of the province. There must be an avenue to reconciliation that does not include the eraser of all traditions.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2442

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Cornerstone to Newfoundland and I stand proud when I hear 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?

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to add?

No

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2443

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode is part of a shared memory that stirs great appreciation for our place and for our sense of community.

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?

It is offensive to me that a tiny minority considered themselves justified in taking away an important part of our community life and shared history.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2444

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is part of my lifelong personal history and 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. Besides being a part of their culture (the only province to have such an anthem). it is good for the students to realize where they are from and to give them some pride in this province.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Labrador can also be included through song or an overall inclusion of what “memorial” stands for.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2445

Response Summary

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

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

"If you don't know where you've come from, you don't know where you're going." Maya Angelou

To me the Ode reflects on the history of and struggles of this wonderful place. It is sadly a reflection of the disregard of our history that this is even being considered, and lack of respect for those who sacrificed for this, our New Found Land. Since you have brought us down this path, I expect you'll want to eliminate the name Memorial from this University- perhaps you don't even know its meaning and 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 see above.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2446

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

I speaks about the land and about some of our culture and 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, as it connects us to the place we are living and studying, and connects us to (part of) our history

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Perhaps there are other ods, songs or anthems that could also be included

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2447

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Tradition of honouring the province and all its splendour.

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 honours the excellence of the province in which the University has thrived.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Why are the people questioning the tradition? Who is questioning and is it a ploy to further reduce the hardworking students and professionals?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2448

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Part of our Identity as a place the people this university is name after died to protect.

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 where we are and having an ode to the place where we are is not an alienating intention. Do you think we should drop Oh Canada?

Is there anything else you would like to add?

We all want to be inclusive and fair. That is part of what we want to be identified as. However, when you become so woke that your feel that you need to twist everything to be examined through thst lens it triggers the verydivisiveness you were trying to avoid. There is a difference between being woke and being asleep at the wheel. I can't be proud of a university that thinks it mandate to be vanilla.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2449

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is an integral part of Memorial's history, as the sole University in 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?

Definitely. Memorial is the only university in the province and personally, I think it only befitting for the Ode to Newfoundland to be sung at every convocation at Memorial.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I think that Memorial has bigger issues than whether to sing the Ode to Newfoundland, or not. It should be a non-issue. Reinstate it and move on.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2450

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Absolutely NOTHING. I am a Newfoundlander and it does not matter 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?

Absolutely not. That would be letting old white men dictate Memorial's future which is absolutely ridiculous. The Ode was written by a British colonial governor who only lived in Newfoundland for a few years. It is ridiculous that we are having this conversation.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The Ode does not matter to students at all. At ALL. We want funding for the university, stop for ing the Ode into our convocations! [REDACTED] s. 40 (1)

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2451

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Its our national anthem. It defines who we are. I am embarrassed you are even considering getting rid of it and it proves that perhaps a lot of management and staff should be replaced.

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, absolutly....see above. Time for people considering this action to rwsign or be fired.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

See above. I believe my disgust with this pathetic action is stated well enough. Resign.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2452

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

☐	Memorial Staff	☒	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 Provincial 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 is an NL University.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I am frustrated that this was simply not resumed after the clear public feedback,. I have to believe there are more important things for the University to be doing. I am conflicted about proving my feedback because resources will be required to analyze it. This should be a non issue.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2453

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

When I hear the Ode to Newfoundland and I sing the Ode to Newfoundland I feel PROUD. Pride is not an active emotion, especially in these crazy times, so I feel the Ode is grounding, it fuels a sense of belonging in addition to 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 - for all the reasons stated above

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I encourage this Ad Hoc Committee to have the courage to reinstate The Ode to Newfoundland. No need to re-write history or re-write this song; we all know the name has changed and we all know and respect Labrador, this tradition needs to remain a part of tradition.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2454

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?

Part of my 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

Why not so

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2455

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode to Newfoundland is the song of our land and of our people. It is who we are and where we come from as a 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?

The ode should be in all convocation ceremonies. This is Memorial University of Newfoundland, we should have our provincial song sung at the only university in the province!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2456

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode conjures up our historic attachment to and love 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.

At convocation ceremonies of this particular provincial institution, intentionally and specifically named "Memorial University of Newfoundland," graduates and other attendees have the opportunity to give voice to their heartfelt respect for and appreciation of not only our province itself - its history and natural beauty - but, more importantly, to acknowledge the determination and personal, willing sacrifice of our forefathers who stepped forward to protect us from foreign harm. As graduates, we have the opportunity to live out our future opportunities because of those whom we memorialize in the university's name. We are a proud, respectful, and grateful people who will forever remember the efforts of those who came before us, never forgetting those who stood on guard to defend us and those who lost their lives in doing so. At convocation we have the unique opportunity to engage in honouring them through our aptly named "Memorial University of Newfoundland."

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Keep the Ode.

Honour the Ode.

If one issue in the forefront is an acknowledgment of the larger, mainland portion of our province, then add the Ode to Labrador to the ceremonies.

If another issue is acknowledgement of our Indigenous peoples, they are already included in the Ode. They are "our" forefathers too. "Where once they stood, we stand."

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2457

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It symbolizes our unique history. It speaks of the landscape and beauty 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. It is our heritage and as citizens of Newfoundland and Labrador we must hold fast to our heritage, traditions and uniqueness's.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2458

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's a part of my identity as a proud Newfoundlander. Grew up singing the ode at school and was proud to sing 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?

Yes, it should be apart of the convocation ceremonies. It's important to keep this NL tradition alive and it's the right thing to do. We have to honour our past, present and future Newfoundlanders through this important song.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2459

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?

The ode to Newfoundland shows our love for our province and our history of our people. It is a symbol of Newfoundland and apart of 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, I belive the ode to Newfoundland should be included in memorials ceremonies, because we are in Newfoundland, and the ode shows so much history and love for our province as a whole

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2460

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?

I am a proud Canadian but perhaps a prouder Newfoundlander. Hearing and/or singing the Ode has always evoked an incredible sense of pride, joy, and love of home. The Ode to Newfoundland stops me in my tracks every single time.

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! I see no reason why the provincial university should not be honoured to include the provincial Ode in all convocation ceremonies and special events/gatherings.

s. 40 (1)

Is there anything else you would like to add?

"As loved our fathers, so we love

Where once they stood, we stand

Their prayer we raise to heaven above

God guard thee Newfoundland

God guard thee, God guard thee

God guard thee Newfoundland"

And may we guard the Ode to Newfoundland.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2461

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Pride

We are a unique people with a deep heritage which should be recognized in our provinces university

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 Newfoundlands university so our anthem should be included

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2462

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

The Ode to Newfoundland is personally more meaningful to me than our O' Canada, because the lyrics are more interesting, the tone is more joyful, and because I (like many Newfoundlanders) identify as a Newfoundlander first and Canadian second. I remember singing and hearing it at school assemblies and ceremonies growing up.

I associate the Ode to Newfoundland with pride in our home and identity as Newfoundlanders - but particularly in our connection to the land (waters, and weather) and how it shapes who we are. The last verse I feel very differently about! It is reflective of a worldview that is patriarchal and Christian and othering to anyone that wasn't born in Newfoundland or with Newfoundland heritage. I dislike the final verse.

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?

Reasons for removing: The Ode in it's entirety (or at least the final verse) should not be included because it is reflective of a worldview that is patriarchal and Christian and othering to anyone that wasn't born in Newfoundland or with Newfoundland heritage (which may include Labradorians and students from outside NL).

Reasons for including: How our culture is shaped by the land is so important. Fostering and sustaining a sense of identity, belonging, culture, and pride in the environment we inhabit seems like a wise thing to preserve. I think this is especially true given the severe impact climate change has, is, and will have on us. "We love thee frozen land" carries a very different meaning for us this winter than our average winter historically. I think there's a learning opportunity or way to utilize the Ode "for the greater good".

There may be also students that have never heard the Ode to Newfoundland. Playing it at convocation may be an opportunity to share a small piece of history and culture.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Consider playing a modified version of the Ode instead of removing it all together. You could play the first three verses and cut the fourth. That way it doesn't promote patriarchy and Christianity and doesn't exclude or other Labradorian, Mainlander, or International students.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2463

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

On its own, the Ode to Newfoundland doesn't represent much to me. Perhaps even to the wider community of Newfoundland, it is only a relic of a time few people alive still remember. But, as I explain below, within MUN, it represents the very reason MUN was founded.

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. MUN was established to be a "memorial" to those of the Newfoundland Regiment that fought in the World Wars. MUN was founded so that the Newfoundland's contribution to the World Wars would remain distinct and not be absorbed into the annals of Canadian military history. The Ode to Newfoundland at convocation recognises MUN's founding roots -- the Newfoundland Regiment's distinction from Canada. I'm not posing this as and kind of "separatist movement" for Newfoundland, but as recognition of very reason MUN was founded: a standalone recognition to the Newfoundland Regiment that carried off to war Newfoundland's best and brightest of the time. In my opinion, to stop having the Ode to Newfoundland at convocation is to stop recognising the very reason MUN was founded.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I see no reason to stop having it. I might understand stopping The Ode if it contained words or sentiments that are now out of place with the views of MUN or modern society (e.g., something that might be now considered sexist or racist), but it doesn't (perhaps the reference to God? But that can't be the reason because God is also referred to in O Canada). While it may seem an anachronism to Newfoundland as a whole, it is special within MUN as it is the foundation of MUN's founding. I would argue that those that support stopping The Ode at convocation don't understand what it represents within the walls of MUN to its historical roots.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2464

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It represents over four hundred years of belonging to this place

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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?

MUN was created and paid for by Newfoundland people and is a symbol of our people's character. It was to equip the hope we would be a country of opportunity.

The genesis, cost and sacrifice for the institution should be respected and not dismissed. YES, the ODE has earned its place.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The ODE needs have a stanza added to include Labrador

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2465

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It is a unifying piece of cultural identity. Regardless of your country of origin or heritage if you spend time in NL and embrace the Ode should speak 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. The university is the Memorial University of Newfoundland not anywhere else the ode probably should have always been included since 1925 but definitely should not have been dropped

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Considering the ones who likely made the decision to stop the ode are likely the same ones running the university into the ground should probably say hmmm maybe they don't know what they are doing and reinstate it. Like George Costanza on Seinfeld of every instinct you've ever had is wrong then just do the opposite

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Yes

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Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

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

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2467

Response Summary

Indicate your relationship to the university:

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

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

It's very important since it's significant to NL and its rich 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 should

Memorial University is named in honor of all brave souls who died in war and the generation we lost. Shortly after we joined Canada due to the financial ruin because of these wars. Keeping the ode honors their memory.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2468

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 symbolizes the love held for this province. Given that 'Memorial' ' was so named in honor of those who had lost their lives fighting to protect this land and individual rights and freedoms, it seems only fitting that this song should be sung out of respect for those Newfoundlanders.

It acknowledges our forefathers and the further symbolizes the love and respect we have for this wonderful land, and the sacrifices many made, ensuring future generations would benefit from their sacrifices.

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)

It instills an emotional acknowledgment of the land upon which this university was built!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

It is terrible that this survey is even required. The removal of this song, was a slight to Newfoundlanders I firmly believe.

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Yes

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Response Summary

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

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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 fills me with pride and gratitude for being a resident 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?

Definitely yes! It's been an important part of many special events in our province since I was a child. It instils pride, love and a strong sense of community when I hear it or sing it.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

I know many people don't agree with this but I do think it's acceptable to make a few minor word changes to make it more inclusive.

It was written in a different era but the message of the song was not meant to exclude anyone, in my opinion.

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Yes

Feedback Form – Ode at Convocation – Response # 2470

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?

It is part of our history and should stay that way.

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 important not to lose our past.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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Response Summary

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

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		Memorial Faculty		Community Member
		Current Memorial Student		Other:

What does the Ode to Newfoundland mean to you?

Part of our culture and heritage. The words reflect 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. Its part of our culture. It is our own "anthem". Would you cut out "Oh Canada" or "God save the King"?

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes

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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?

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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 # 2473

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?

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. But this is a newfoundland school.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

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Yes