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Working on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əm̓ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples. We are grateful for the opportunity to be on this shared territory.

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On Wed, 22 Jan 2020 at 14:03, <exdir@bchumanist.ca> wrote:

To the Town of Lake Cowichan

In 2015, the Supreme Court of Canada ruled that it was unconstitutional to begin a municipal council session with a sectarian prayer as it violated the state's duty of religious neutrality.

However, in reviewing the minutes of your Town's 2018 inaugural session, we note that a religious representative provided an invocation or prayer.

We kindly ask that you confirm that your council will take steps to ensure future inaugural sessions are compliant with the Supreme Court's ruling.

Sincerely

Ian Bushfield
Executive Director