

Dear Mayor and Council,

Whistler should have a Canada Day Parade.

A Canada Day parade is a way to celebrate the country's identity, history, and cultural diversity. It's an opportunity for Canadians to come together and showcase their national pride.

Our parade can feature historical and cultural displays, paying homage to Canada's past, including our Indigenous heritage, colonial history, and immigrant contributions. In a diverse country like Canada, more than ever, we must promote unity and solidarity by bringing together people from different backgrounds and regions to celebrate their shared citizenship.

Bonus, a Canada Day parade may attract additional tourists and visitors, boosting our economy through increased spending on accommodations, dining, and shopping.

Participating in or attending a Whistler Canada Day parade fosters civic engagement and a sense of belonging among Canadians, new and old, encouraging them to actively participate in our little part of the world. A Canada Day parade serves as a vibrant expression of Canadian identity, culture, and unity, while also promoting community engagement and celebration.

Let's do it.

Regards,

Patrick Smyth

Address on file

Whistler BC. "Exceeding Nature"