Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we celebrate Kaposia Days on the traditional lands of the Dakota people. For generations, the Dakota people, including the Mdewakanton and Wahpekute bands, have stewarded this land now called South Saint Paul.

We acknowledge the deep and enduring connection that the Dakota people have to this land, which extends far beyond the boundaries of any municipal borders. This land has been a place of gathering, ceremony, and sustenance for the Dakota people for thousands of years.

We also acknowledge the ongoing presence and resilience of the Dakota people, despite the injustices and hardships they have endured over the years. We recognize that colonization and the forced removal of Indigenous peoples from their ancestral lands have had lasting impacts, and we commit to promoting a more inclusive and equitable future for all.

