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# Bill 31

*(Chapter 5 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2024)*

## **An Act to provide for an award for exceptional cadets**

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### Preamble

Although First Nations persons were exempt from conscription, more than 4000 such persons enlisted in World War I and more than 3000 enlisted in World War II. Many lost their Indian status because they were away for more than four years. Despite this, many continued their community service and gave back to their communities their entire life. Murray Whetung was a Curve Lake First Nations veteran who continued to serve his community after returning from service overseas.

Therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

### Award, Royal Canadian Air Cadet

1 The Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism shall provide for an award to be given each year to a cadet in each local Royal Canadian Air Cadet corps who is selected by their corps for demonstrating exceptional citizenship and volunteerism within their community and their corps.

### Award, Royal Canadian Army Cadet

2 The Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism shall provide for an award to be given each year to a cadet in each local Royal Canadian Army Cadet corps who is selected by their corps for demonstrating exceptional citizenship and volunteerism within their community and their corps.

### Award, Royal Canadian Sea Cadet

3 The Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism shall provide for an award to be given each year to a cadet in each local Royal Canadian Sea Cadet corps who is selected by their corps for demonstrating exceptional citizenship and volunteerism within their community and their corps.

### Commencement

4 This Act comes into force on a day to be named by proclamation of the Lieutenant Governor.

### Short title

5 The short title of this Act is the *Murray Whetung Community Service Award Act, 2024*.

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This Explanatory Note was written as a reader's aid to Bill 31 and does not form part of the law.  
Bill 31 has been enacted as Chapter 5 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2024.*

The *Murray Whetung Community Service Award Act, 2024* is enacted. The Act provides that the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism shall provide for an award to be given each year to a cadet in each local Royal Canadian Air Cadet corps, Royal Canadian Army Cadet corps and Royal Canadian Sea Cadet corps who is selected by their corps for demonstrating exceptional citizenship and volunteerism within their community and their corps.