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Hadiya Roderique postponed until Fall 2020

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The Amherstburg Freedom Museum is a curated archive that preserves and shares Amherstburg's stories of the Underground Railroad, and the compassion and solidarity it took to make this network possible.

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Amherstburg Freedom Museum Closed Until Further Notice

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Amherstburg Freedom Museum will be closed until further notice. Please follow us on our social media pages to stay updated. We apologize for the inconvenience.

If you have booked group tours with the museum, please call the museum at 519-736-5433 and leave a voicemail message to cancel or reschedule.

Be safe and please help us by sharing this announcement.



The Talking Drum

The Talking Drum is published monthly by the Amherstburg Freedom Museum. Contributions, story ideas, suggestions and feedback are always welcome. Please contact Mary-Katherine Whelan at curator@amherstburgfreedom.org

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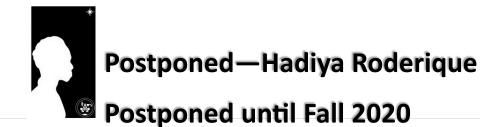
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Recognizing Emancipation Day

On Tuesday, March 3 Senator Wanda Thomas Bernard and Ontario Black History Society President, Natasha Henry, gave a presentation at the Chatham-Kent Black Historical Society & Black Mecca Museum. The presentation, Recognizing Emancipation Day, put a call to action to advocate to your local MPs and municipalities to nationally recognize Emancipation Day.

The Private Member's Motion is as follows:

Members of Parliament > Majid Jowhari > Private member's motions > M-36 Emancipation Day - Majid Jowhari

M-36 EMANCIPATION DAY 43RD PARLIAMENT, 1ST SESSION

MOTION TEXT

That the House recognize that: (a) the British Parliament abolished slavery in the British Empire as of August 1, 1834; (b) slavery existed in British North America prior to its abolition in 1834; (c) abolitionists and others who struggled against slavery, including those who arrived in Upper and Lower Canada by the Underground Railroad, have historically celebrated August 1 as Emancipation Day; (d) the Government of Canada announced on January 30, 2018, that it would officially recognize the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent to highlight the important contributions that people of African descent have made to Canadian society, and to provide a platform for confronting anti-Black racism; and (e) the heritage of Canada's people of African descent and the contributions they have made and continue to make to Canada; and that, in the opinion of the House, the government should designate August 1 of every year as "Emancipation Day" in Canada.





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