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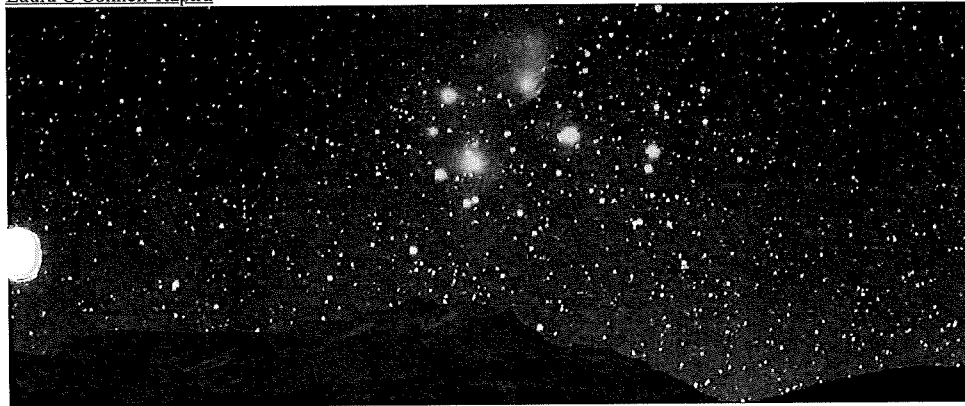
Make Matariki a public holiday

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Amend the Holidays Act 2003 to add a public holiday that marks Matariki.

Why is this important?

In May, Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern said that more public holidays is among a number of things the government is “actively considering” to encourage domestic tourism.

With many small businesses struggling to keep their doors open, more public holidays to encourage folks to spend their disposable income exploring our beautiful country is a fantastic idea.

Matariki is a time to gather with friends and whānau to remember those who have passed, to reflect on the year that has been, and to celebrate new beginnings. If Matariki were made a permanent public holiday, it would provide communities with an opportunity to learn about the Maramataka (Māori lunar calendar), connect with the elements and honour those who have passed away.

A public holiday would foster understanding and celebration of Māori knowledge and wisdom and invite us to slow down our busy lives and share kai with the people we love.

A recent poll, crowdfunded and commissioned by ActionStation members, has revealed that the majority of people in New Zealand believe Matariki should be a public holiday. Now is the time to make it so.

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Mathe C. Not for a 1 day but for New Zealand to celebrate the significance this event holds.

John S. 2 days ago
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Hannah S. This is an important occasion in our indigenous Māori culture. Time that culture was recognised & given respect. We can all learn a lot from Māori ideology - as it learns & is tune with nature. Follow the stars...
Bronwyn L. 3 days ago

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