

## Milford should not celebrate violent acts of Tom Quick

### Editor, the Record:

Soon, a small, sleepy Milford will celebrate the memory of serial killer Tom Quick, the so-called "Slayer of Savages, Hunter of the Delaware." The town will commemorate his memory by putting up a plaque on the center city monument. How sad is this little claim to fame. The Lenape people of this region were not all driven away or slaughtered, some of us are still here to be insulted by thoughtlessness such as this. Nobody on town council sought out us Lenape to ask us to counsel on this matter. No, they went to somebody who has not the right to speak on these matters. And that shows the disregard that they have for the native people.

Put yourself in our shoes, to have the memory of ancestors ripped from you. How can you not feel compassion for your fellow man? To put up a plaque with words of hate on it is like saying, it was okay for Hitler to murder millions of Jewish people. It is okay that the KKK hang the black citizens of this country. And it was okay that the soldiers slaughtered elders and children of the Lakota people at Wounded Knee. Racism is NOT okay, words of HATE are NOT okay. If anything should not exist it is this monument to a serial killer. And if the people of Milford want a hero to memorialize, pick a veteran from your town who gave his life in a war representing his hometown; he deserves it much more. And if the plaque still get puts up, I ask the people coming into Northeast Pennsylvania not to spend their tourist dollars in Milford, Pa.

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