



City of Spruce Grove Proclamation National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 26, 2022

WHEREAS; the federal government has recognized September 30 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, which was proposed by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission as one of its 94 Calls to Action; and

WHEREAS; there were 140 federally run residential schools in Canada, operating between 1831 and 1998, through which Indigenous children were separated from their families, culture, and language, and were subjected to widespread neglect and abuse; and

WHEREAS; this day honours the children who never returned home and the Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities; and

WHEREAS; this day is for Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities, to be reaffirmed that they matter and that their trauma is real.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Acker, Mayor of the City of Spruce Grove, do hereby proclaim the day of September 30, 2022 as “National Day for Truth and Reconciliation” in the City of Spruce Grove and encourage citizens to take note of this important date and to honour it in a way that is meaningful to them.