September 28, 2021

Dear IPAC Canada Members:

IPAC Canada acknowledges September 30th as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We acknowledge this as an annual statutory holiday designated by the Federal Government and initiated through the 80th Call for Action by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The significance of the date of September 30th originates from Orange Shirt Day (see orangeshirtday.org).

On September 30th, we sincerely hope you are able to spend the day with your family or at community events where the survivors and families of residential schools will be honoured and there will be public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools. If you are at your job, a moment of quiet meditation will reconfirm that Every Child Matters, even if they are now an adult.

May the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation be peaceful for you.

The head office of IPAC Canada will be closed on September 30th in commemoration of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

With sincerest best wishes,

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These are a sample of resources that will help you understand and support the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day:

Orangeshirtday.org
Legacy of Hope Foundation - https://legacyofhope.ca/home/about-us/
Truth and Reconciliation Week - https://nctr.ca/
Assembly of First Nations - http://www.afn.ca/Home/