ASSOCIATION FRANCO-YUKONNAISE



302, rue Strickland, Whitehorse (Yukon) Y1A 2K1

867 668-2663 | <u>afy@afy.ca</u> | <u>www.afy.ca</u>

Press Release

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Whitehorse, September 29, 2023 — On September 30, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day, the Association franco-yukonnaise invites the community to reflect on the impacts of colonialism on First Nations, Métis and Inuit, in the Yukon and across Canada. It is our responsibility to recognize the devastating consequences of residential schools and to think about the missing children and survivors of these institutions, including their families and communities.

"We invite Yukoners to take time to reflect, inform themselves and commit to reconciliation with First Nations by participating in the events organized throughout the territory. It is by working together that we will continue to advance reconciliation", says Lorraine Taillefer, president of the Association franco-yukonnaise.

About the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Ceremonies organized in Whitehorse by the Council of Yukon First Nations

Honour to Senator Murray Sinclair

Association franco-yukonnaise

Official voice and leader in the development of the Yukon French-speaking community since 1982, AFY aims to improve the quality of life of Yukon Francophones.

- 30 -

Medias Relations

Audrey Percheron
Communications and Community Relations Director
Association franco-yukonnaise (AFY)
867 668-2663, extension 332
apercheron@afy.ca