



Proclamation

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WEEK AND ORANGE SHIRT DAY

- Whereas:* the City of Prince George is situated on the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh, is committed to meaningful reconciliation with the Lheidli T'enneh, and supports reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples across our region, province, Canada, and the world; and
- Whereas:* Truth & Reconciliation Week, and Orange Shirt Day, are opportunities to open the door for meaningful learning and discussion about the effects and legacy of colonization and the residential school system on Indigenous Peoples; and
- Whereas:* Orange Shirt Day is a day for survivors of residential schools, and those affected, to be affirmed that they matter; and
- Whereas:* the City of Prince George affirms that "Every Child Matters"; and
- Whereas:* Truth and Reconciliation Week, and Orange Shirt Day, represent collective efforts to end racism, violence, and bullying, and to support the safety and well-being of all children; and
- Whereas:* the City of Prince George encourages citizens to wear an orange shirt on September 30 to honour residential school survivors and their families, remember those who did not survive, and to continue to work together toward reconciliation.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim **September 26 – October 2** as: "**Truth and Reconciliation Week**"
and **September 30** as: "**Orange Shirt Day**"
in the City of Prince George.

Lyn Hall, Mayor