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City of Airdrie  
400 Main Street SE  
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Attention: Legislative Services

Dear Airdrie City Council;

Re: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Awareness, Proclamation and Illumination Request

The Circle Connections for Reconciliation respectfully requests that the City of Airdrie proclaims September 30 as National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and illuminates City Hall orange that evening in memory of the 150,000+ Indigenous children who were forcibly taken from their families to attend church-run and government funded residential schools. Many suffered horrific abuse, malnutrition, neglect and over 4,000 are believed to have died.

This day was created to honour Survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process. (TRC Call to Action #80)

Circle Connections for Reconciliation Society is a grassroots community initiative, bringing Indigenous and non-Indigenous people together in peace and friendship, to build relationships, learn the truth, increase awareness and work towards genuine reconciliation in our area. For more information, please visit our website [www.circleconnectionsforreconciliation.com](http://www.circleconnectionsforreconciliation.com).

Thank you for your support on this important day.

Sincerely,

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Co-Chair

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