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Dear Mr. Watt:

Thank you for your recent letter on behalf of Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA), Manitoba Teachers' Society (MTS), Manitoba Association of School Superintendents (MASS), Manitoba Association of School Business Officials, and Manitoba Association of Parent Councils (MAPC) regarding a possible amendment to regulation acknowledging Treaty Lands and Traditional Territories as part of daily opening exercises in schools.

I appreciate the consensus of perspective as outlined in your letter. Please be advised that the Department will review the matter. You indicated that MTS had developed wording appropriate for every school division in Manitoba. That information would be helpful to me in consideration of the request. If you could facilitate having that information provided to my office, it would be appreciated.

Thank you for raising this with me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ian Wishart'.

Ian Wishart

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