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The Provincial Executive
Manitoba School Boards Association
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Dear Members of the Provincial Executive:

Thank for your letter regarding the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's (TRC) Calls to Action, specifically those concerning the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)*.

Manitoba Education and Training values the Manitoba School Boards Association's (MSBA) contributions and collaborative efforts in addressing the TRC's Calls to Actions. The department also acknowledges your support for the implementation of those Calls on federal, provincial, territorial and municipal governments to fully adopt and implement the UNDRIP as the framework for reconciliation and to furthermore develop a national action plan and other concrete measures to achieve the goals of UNDRIP.

As national, provincial and municipal governments continue to address the complex questions related to the implementation of UNDRIP and move forward with the TRC's Calls to Action, I want to assure you that Manitoba has and will continue to act on the important work of reconciliation. The Manitoba government values the MSBA's offer of assistance and partnership in this endeavour. It looks forward to working with your association and all of its partners in fostering reconciliation throughout Manitoba.

Sincerely,

Ian Wishart

- c. The Honourable Brian Pallister, Premier of Manitoba
James Wilson, Deputy Minister of Education and Training