



Statement on National Moose Hide Campaign Gathering and Day of Fasting

October 18, 2018 – On behalf of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, Commissioner Brian Eyolfson made the following statement in recognition of the National Moose Hide Campaign Gathering and Day of Fasting:

"The devastation caused by the national tragedy of missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, 2SLQBTQQIA people is immeasurable. In every corner of the country, survivors, families and friends, and entire communities have suffered unspeakable pain and loss. Whether women or men, Elders or children, we have all been affected in some way, and we along with all Canadians must all be part of the solution for real, meaningful change.

Today, on the Moose Hide Campaign's third annual National Gathering and Day of Fasting, the National Inquiry recognizes founders Paul and Raven Lacerte and all participating individuals and communities for raising awareness of the important role men and boys can and must play to stand up to all forms of violence. As brothers, sons, fathers, husbands, partners and friends, it is incumbent on us to take responsibility and help build a safer future for all women, girls, 2SLGBTQQIA people in our communities."

To know more about the National Moose Hide Campaign Gathering and Day of Fasting, please visit their Website: <u>https://moosehidecampaign.ca/events/national-gathering-and-day-of-fasting-2018/gathering-2018</u>

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