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Commissioner Audette recognized for her leadership and advocacy on Indigenous women issues

Université de Montréal awarding an honorary degree to Commissioner Michèle Audette

Vancouver, B.C. – Chief Commissioner Marion Buller and Commissioners Qajaq Robinson and Brian Eyolfson offer their congratulations as they acknowledge the honorary doctorate Commissioner Michèle Audette will be receiving this evening from Université de Montréal.

The Commissioners noted that beyond being a tireless work partner and exemplary friend, Commissioner Audette is a leader whose knowledge of complex issues related to Indigenous women and girls, Indigenous Peoples, and discrimination serves to strengthen the work of the National Inquiry.

“Commissioner Audette truly believes in a society where everyone has an equal and equitable place, and she has dedicated her life to working toward these goals. It is a well-deserved honor,” stated Chief Commissioner Buller.

Before being named a Commissioner for the National Inquiry in 2016, Ms. Audette was recognized as an advocate on women’s issues, and specifically Indigenous women’s issues, including as president of the Quebec Native Women’s Association and president of the Native Women’s Association of Canada. In 2012, Commissioner Audette received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for her significant achievements.

“She is a dedicated and passionate person who truly puts herself and her heart out there to fight for justice,” added Commissioners Eyolfson and Robinson. “The Université de Montréal is recognizing Michèle with the most significant of honours, and we offer our heartfelt congratulations.”

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