



## NEWS RELEASE

### Valard Acknowledges National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

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As you may be aware, the Federal government recently [passed legislation](#) to designate September 30<sup>th</sup> as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools. The choice of September 30<sup>th</sup> builds on the grassroots momentum of [Orange Shirt Day](#), which is already known as a day to remember the legacy of residential schools and move forward with reconciliation.

- Valard encourages all of its employees, contractors, clients, business partners and associates to acknowledge this Day and initiative by **wearing orange on September 30<sup>th</sup>**.
- As a company, we've chosen to have every one of our hundreds of pieces of rolling equipment affixed with a sticker that shows our support of Orange Shirt/Day of Truth and Reconciliation. **Our “moving billboards” have the power to spread this important message across Canada**, which we believe will increase understanding and compassion of the issues surrounding residential schools, honours the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, celebrates resilience and affirms a commitment that every child matters.
- Valard Construction will continue working this Day, recognizing the significance and importance with various planned stand-downs, moments of silence, and reflection for field and office operations.

We at Valard have over 40 years of history building strong partnerships and relationships with Indigenous communities, groups and individuals across the country. Our Indigenous relationships are based on a simple approach of respect, openness and fairness. Our acknowledgement and recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is part of that approach and we'll continue to look for ways to reflect our respect for Indigenous peoples, their history and their culture. Thank you.

Barkley Adams  
President & CEO



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