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**MAYOR BARKER RECOGNIZES NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION
AND ORANGE SHIRT DAY SEPTEMBER 30**

KAGAWONG, ON: September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, selected to coincide with Orange Shirt Day.

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation seeks to understand the impact and intergenerational harm that residential schools have caused to Indigenous Families and Nations, and to honour the First Nations, Inuit and Métis lives who were lost and the survivors, their families and communities who have been affected by this injustice.

Orange Shirt Day is a grassroots event led by Indigenous people to remember the children who survived Indian Residential Schools and those who didn't.

The Township of Billings acknowledges the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools.

“As a community, everyone plays an important role in building a more inclusive, equitable and compassionate society for all. We can all take steps to raise our understanding the intergenerational harm residential schools have caused Indigenous Families and Nations across Canada.”

- Mayor Bryan Barker

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