

Crewson supports Truth and Reconciliation Recommendations

In 2008, Stephen Harper stood up in the House of Commons and apologized to the survivors of residential schools on behalf of all Canadians.

Seven years later his actions and those of his government have failed to live up to the hopeful spirit of the apology.

"The Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its report on one of the darkest chapters in Canadian History," stated Ed Crewson, Federal Liberal Candidate. "We ALL have the responsibility to begin working towards meaningful reconciliation." Reconciliation means working together to achieve real changes to address the legacy of Residential Schools. This will only come when we honour our past promises and ensure the equality of opportunity required to create a fair and prosperous shared future for all.

This Sunday, we celebrate National Aboriginal Day. This is the time to celebrate and honour First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples across Canada, and within our own community. Their fundamental contributions to the building of our country, and the hope we have for building a shared future together.

"Now is a time for real action and real change." Further stated Crewson "We must commit to supporting all 94 recommendations released by the TRC. It's time to close the quality of life gap and restore respect."

The Federal government must advance the process of reconciliation. Only through working with Indigenous communities, will the languages and cultures be revitalized and the original respectful relationship First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples be restored.