

Manitoba 150 Receives Support from Government of Canada

For immediate release – January 21, 2020 – The Manitoba 150 Host Committee Inc. (Manitoba 150), is excited to share the news that the Government of Canada is providing financial support to Manitoba's 150th anniversary celebrations.

At a press conference held earlier today at The Forks, The Honorable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Canadian Heritage, announced \$700,000 in funding from the federal government for Manitoba 150 festivities and celebrations.

"Today's announcement of funding from the Government of Canada is a wonderful gift to our province and to all Manitobans," said Monique LaCoste and Stuart Murray, Co-Chairs of Manitoba 150. "Manitoba remains the only province to join Canada under Indigenous leadership. This funding will help showcase Manitoba – our rich cultural diversity, our Indigenous roots, and the instrumental role the Métis people played in Manitoba becoming a province."

To commemorate 150 years since Manitoba joined Canada as its fifth province, Manitoba 150 will showcase festive, celebratory events; profile our diverse culture through music, food, and activities; spotlight our beauty; and engage Manitobans in learning about our rich history.

"The Manitoba 150 festivities are a unique opportunity for Canadians to come together and celebrate together! I invite you all to take an active part in the festivities that will be held during the year 2020," said The Honorable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Canadian Heritage.

Manitoba 150 will continue to provide opportunities for everyone in Manitoba to celebrate our province's anniversary.

About The Manitoba 150 Host Committee Inc.

The year 2020 will mark 150 years since Manitoba became Canada's fifth province, the only province to enter Confederation through the leadership of the Metis Nation. The Manitoba 150 Host Committee Inc. (Manitoba 150) is an independent, not-for-profit organization overseeing commemorative activities in celebration of our province, its beauty, people, culture, and history throughout 2020.

Manitoba 150 supports initiatives and events that cultivate pride in our province, foster a profound connection with our diverse cultures and, above all, unite us in celebration.

Additional information on Manitoba 150 can be found at www.Manitoba150.com.

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