From: Byron Hauck
To: School Board Office

**Subject:** Re: Board Statement on Indigenous Sovereignty

**Date:** Thursday, May 22, 2025 9:40:49 PM

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Dear school board representative,

Thank you for this strong statement.

As a parent of a student in the district and a settler colonialist who is also working through reconciliation as a member of a colonial education institution, I am deeply touched by the leadership shown by SD23. Statements like these are more than mere words, but are the work of reconciliation as they help to construct the stories which we live by.

Keep up the excellent work!

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I respectfully acknowledge the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əy②əm (Musqueam), S½wx②wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), səl②ilw②əta ?¹ (Tsleil-Waututh), q②íc②əy② (Katzie), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>½</sup>②əm (Kwikwetlem), Qayqayt, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen peoples on whose traditional territories SFU's three campuses reside.

From: SD23 District <noreply@sd23.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2025 2:04 PM

To:

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