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Dear Board of Trustees, SD23

I am writing to inquire about the school district's policy and decisions regarding the lowering of flags to half-mast in honour of prominent figures. Recently, I noticed that flags were lowered for former Premier John Horgan. However, I did not observe a similar gesture for Senator Murray Sinclair, a prominent advocate for Indigenous rights and reconciliation. Senator Sinclair's contributions to Canada are profound, particularly his work as Chair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which highlighted the legacy of residential schools and the need for reconciliation with Indigenous communities. His legacy has touched countless lives and is especially impactful in the context of education, as it relates to fostering a more inclusive and just understanding of our shared history.

Could you provide clarification on the criteria and decision-making process used when determining if flags should be lowered to half-mast for public figures? Additionally, could the district consider including figures whose contributions deeply affect education, inclusivity, and reconciliation, as these values are core to our schools and community? Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely
Dave Price