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TO:

Chairpersons and Directors of Education

- All Catholic District School Boards

FROM:

Kathy Burtnik, President

SUBJECT: OCSTA Resolution 6-15 Charter FNMI Education

At its Annual General Meeting of May 1, 2015, OCSTA approved the following resolution:

"OCSTA adopt the Charter of Commitment for First Nation, Métis and Inuit education and that the Charter be recommended to the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association for adoption as a National Charter of Commitment."

The resolution is based on a similar Charter passed by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) last year. The OPSBA resolution has been endorsed by all its individual public school boards across Ontario. You will note that the OCSTA version of the resolution includes reference to the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations. A copy of the resolution is attached for your information.

We encourage every Catholic school board to adopt this Charter of Commitment for First Nation, Métis and Inuit education. Each Board is doing very innovative work in FNMI education, and therefore we believe adoption of this resolution endorses and highlights that work.

Thank you for this important work in support of FNMI students.

Attachment