

## Statement

## Commissioner Kusugak invites Nunavummiut to celebrate Canada 150

**January 27, 2017 –** The Honourable Nellie Kusugak, Commissioner of Nunavut, released the following statement:

"This year, I invite all Nunavummiut to join me in celebrating Canada 150 – the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our vast and beautiful country.

A century and a half ago, Canadians took the first steps to establish confederation; a nation-building process that would create a country that reached from sea-to-sea-to-sea.

Confederation expanded when Nunavut was created in 1999, strengthening the connections between the North, South, East and West of Canada.

During 2017, Canadians have the opportunity to think about our country's past and present, and make plans for the future; to continue building a country based on unity, co-operation and mutual respect.

Let's all join together to celebrate the role Nunavummiut play in supporting equality, diversity and a commitment to reconciliation in Canada."

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