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MCK to participate in launch of Truth & Reconciliation event in Montreal

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(Kahnawake – 23, Onerahtókha/April 2013) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke would like to inform the community that Grand Chief Mike Ahríhron Delisle, Jr. will participate in the Survivors Walk and Procession March, which will launch the Quebec National Truth & Reconciliation Event in Montreal.

The walk is a major component of the opening ceremonies for the event. Survivors of Canada's residential school system, Truth & Reconciliation Commissioners, local leadership and the parties to the Settlement Agreement are expected to be among those participating.

"We continue to live and deal with the tragedies, hardships, and loss of language & culture that some of our people were subjected to during that time," said Grand Chief Delisle. "There are still people in Kahnawà:ke today who lived through the experience. We need to continue to support them and never forget what happened."

The four-day event will be held from Wednesday, April 24th thru Saturday, April 27th at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal. The Survivors Walk and Procession March will begin at 2:30pm tomorrow (Wednesday) at the park at Place du Canada (about a block and a half east of the hotel on René Levesque) and conclude at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada is holding four community hearings throughout Quebec as well as this week's Quebec National Event. Survivors are invited to share their stories about Quebec's Indian Residential Schools and their legacy.

All gatherings are open to the public. Admission is free.

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