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His Worship, Mayor Frank Campion
City of Welland
60 East Main Street
Welland, ON L3B 3X4

Dear Mayor Campion,

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, it is my great pleasure to extend my warmest greetings on the occasion of Franco-Ontarian Day.

This annual celebration provides us with an opportunity to proudly recognize the remarkable contributions of Ontario's Francophone community to the development, cultural richness, and vitality of our province.

The City of Welland continues to demonstrate exemplary leadership in this regard by marking this important day each year. I would like to acknowledge the outstanding work of the municipality and its community partners, whose ongoing commitment is evident through their efforts to organize unifying activities that help promote and celebrate the French language and culture.

Together, we will continue our efforts to ensure the vitality, prosperity, and dynamism of the Francophone community in your region and across the province.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Natalia Kusendova-Bashta
Minister of Francophone Affairs