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## The Unity Conference 2017

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Unity Conference 2017, hosted by Think for Actions.

This year's conference comes at an exciting time in Canada, as we come together to celebrate our 150th anniversary of Confederation, an opportunity to look back over the span of our history to recognize that which has shaped our country. We are a nation that derives strength from our diversity, and, as we look forward to our future, I believe it is our openness and multiculturalism that will prove to be the foundation of our future prosperity.



Today, we gather to address the issues of discrimination and bigotry that seek to divide us. No Canadian should ever feel unsafe or unwelcome, and open and inclusive discussions such as this are an important step along the path toward our shared goal of a society free from racism.

Thank you to the organizers of this laudable event and to all those in attendance today for your roles in making Canada a more inclusive place for all. Please accept my warmest welcome and best wishes for a productive conference.

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