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Media Release

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The Timmins Together group of community partners is pleased to announce its series of events to commemorate the UN's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

On Monday, March 17th. Mayor Michelle Boileau will issue a proclamation recognizing this important day at 10:30 a.m., highlighting the City of Timmins' commitment to fostering an inclusive culture and respecting the dignity of all people.

Wednesday, March 19th: Timmins Together's IDERD School Reading Event for students, of the four school boards, will take place at the Timmins Public Library's TEMBEC room. The book is entitled "The Day You Begin" by Jacqueline Woodson. First session (French students) will start at 9:15 am, followed by the second session (English students) at 9:45 am.

The presenter for both English and French sessions is Monique Perreault from Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l'Ontario. She will bring her drum and perform a song with the students. She will also explain the significance of the drum and speak a little bit about our connection to nature and how we can gain a deeper appreciation for it, while tying it into the land acknowledgments.

Wednesday, March 19th. The 3rd annual Timmins Together's IDERD symposium will kick off with a luncheon at noon at The Best Western Premier Northwood, followed by a learning session featuring a racial equity specialist, Camille Dundas.

Our theme for this year's symposium is 'Recognizing and Confronting Racism in workplaces'. Camille Dundas will explore the subtle and overt signs of racial bias that can permeate workplace interactions, and how it can be addressed,

Attendees will learn to identify red flags that indicate bias, including microaggressions, unequal opportunities, and biased feedback.

All are welcome to attend! Simply click the link below to register for free.

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/1234028605779?aff=oddtcreator>

Stay tuned for the revised edition of the City of Timmins' Human Rights Wall of Fame Awards nominations, which will be released this fall. The HRWFA recognizes and celebrates individuals' achievements in advancing and fostering human rights in Timmins. These awards will be given next year.

Timmins Together is a group of community partners that aim to foster an inclusive culture by addressing all forms of discrimination in the Timmins area. Through awareness, education, and understanding, Timmins Together is working to make the region more welcoming for all.

The Timmins Together Partners include;

**Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l'Ontario
Northeastern Catholic District School Board
Conseil scolaire catholique de district des Grandes Rivières
Cochrane District Social Planning Council
District School Board Ontario North East
Ojibwe and Cree Cultural Centre
Timmins Native Friendship Centre
Université de Hearst
Algoma University
Collège Boreal
Northern College
City of Timmins
Northeastern Ontario Multicultural Centre
Timmins Local Immigration Partnership**

Details of all events relating to the International Day of the Elimination of Racial Discrimination can be found on all partners' social media handles.

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