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Peter Dinsdale, President & CEO of YMCA Canada, Appointed to Order of Ontario

TORONTO - The Board of Directors of YMCA Canada is pleased to congratulate Peter Dinsdale, President and CEO, on his appointment to the Order of Ontario, the province's highest and most prestigious honour. The award recognizes individuals whose exceptional achievement in their field have left a lasting legacy in the province, in Canada and beyond.

“Peter’s commitment to being a strong voice and community builder is well known, and we are thrilled to see him recognized for his efforts with this appointment to the Order of Ontario” says Brenda Flaherty, Board Chair, YMCA Canada.

Upon welcoming Peter as a member of the Order of Ontario, Her Honour the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, noted that he has “devoted his life to improving the lives of Indigenous peoples and supporting reconciliation.”

A proud Anishinaabe community leader, Peter has worked extensively throughout his career to enhance the quality of life of the people and communities he has served. Not content to rest on past successes, Peter still has many goals he aims to achieve.

Since joining YMCA Canada as President and CEO in 2016, Peter has furthered the organization’s unique ability and role in building safe and vibrant communities. With the launch of a new strategic plan, Plan Y: Expedition, he is focused on enabling, supporting and strengthening YMCAs so they can provide opportunities for all to belong to an inclusive community.

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About the YMCA in Canada

The YMCA is a powerful association of people joined together by a shared passion to foster a sense of belonging for all. In an age of complex social challenges, the YMCA is steadfastly dedicated to building healthy communities by inviting and encouraging Canadians to join in, to give back, and to gain the connections, skills, and confidence they need to thrive.

YMCA Canada is a charity and the national office providing support to 47 YMCA Member Associations. For more than a century we've been at the heart of communities across the country, serving evolving needs and providing vital community services.

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