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The Canadian Association of Immersion Professionals congratulates the new Minister of Official Languages

OTTAWA, October 26 , 2021 – The Canadian Association of Immersion Professionals (ACPI), congratulates Ginette Petitpas Taylor on her nomination as Minister of Official Languages. ACPI also thanks Mélanie Joly for her work in recent years. With the Honourable Ginette Petitpas Taylor leading the defence of official languages in this country, we look forward to working with her department to continue our mission to contribute to the promotion and growth of a bilingual Canada by bringing together immersion educators and partners in all parts of the country.

As the cornerstone of French immersion in Canada, ACPI wishes to highlight a few priorities to support the learning of the country's two official languages:

- extend the funding for the ACPI's recruitment and retention strategy;
- support access to French immersion programs for all Canadians who wish to register their children in such programs;
- prioritize the learning continuum for French as a second language at the post-secondary level, given that the success of immersion at the secondary level depends on it;
- demand minimum standards, and equip the provinces and territories accordingly;
- encourage innovation in the management and development of the range of programs available;
- Modernize the Official Languages Act.

French immersion for Canada's youth can guarantee a bilingual future for our country, in which the promotion of English and French also promotes the other languages spoken in Canada.

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ABOUT US

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The Canadian Association of Immersion Professionals (ACPI) is a professional organization with a mission to participate in the promotion and development of a bilingual Canada by bringing together immersion educators and partners from all regions of the country. The cornerstone of French immersion in Canada, ACPI orients and enriches immersion pedagogy in Canada. By offering professional development, research and networking services, it provides educators with strong support and numerous professional learning opportunities, as well as a pedagogical dialogue in French.

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