Celebration of the Formal Establishment of the NIRSA Canadian Region

Whereas, in 2013 a group of Canadian campus recreation leaders, after several years of work involving countless volunteers, formally put forth a proposal to the NIRSA Board of Directors that Canada might become its own region within NIRSA, and

Whereas, this initial proposal has evolved in accordance with the NIRSA Regional Composition Policy; has been supported by the recommendations of the Canadian Region Task Force, along with the Member Network; and has been affirmed by NIRSA's current Canadian membership and

Whereas, Canadian campus recreation professionals have long sought a professional alliance with a common mission, strong infrastructure, and economies of scale, in order to emerge as a key institutional asset and build new bridges within post-secondary environments and in the larger communities they serve, and

Whereas, NIRSA recognizes the inherent opportunities for reciprocity and increased member competencies through expanded programming and knowledge sharing as well as the leveraging of Canada's unique strengths and perspectives, and

Whereas, NIRSA's vision is to be the premier association of leaders in higher education, transforming and inspiring the development of healthy and inclusive communities worldwide,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that NIRSA hereby recognizes the establishment of the NIRSA Canadian Region and expresses its appreciation of the numerous Canadian leaders who have helped the association progress towards its desired future as a globally trusted resource and partner for the advancement of recreation, sport, and wellness, fostering the development of healthy individuals and communities.

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