



THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CANADA
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**Statement from the National Council of Women of Canada (NCWC)
on
Canada Day 2026**

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Honouring our commitments.
Building a future of equality,
inclusion and opportunity for all.



On this Canada Day, July 1st, the National Council of Women of Canada celebrates our country with hope, gratitude, and determination. For 133 years, NCWC has stood with women, families, and communities across Canada, guided by the belief that progress is strongest when it is shared, inclusive, and grounded in justice.

Canada Day invites us not only to celebrate what this country has achieved, but also to reflect on the kind of Canada we are still building. As we look toward efforts to realize the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SD), we carry both responsibility and opportunity: to honour the commitments Canada has made through the important conventions and agreements it has signed, and to work together toward the SD goals, especially those that affect women, girls, and families.

NCWC believes that every generation has a role to play in shaping a fairer future. For our members and for those who are considering joining us, this is a moment to renew our shared commitment to advocacy, civic engagement, and community action. It is a moment to remember that voices joined together can influence policy, inspire change, and strengthen the values we hold dear — equality, dignity, inclusion, peace, and respect.

As we mark Canada Day 2026, let us also look ahead with purpose. With only four years remaining until 2030, we have a real opportunity to help ensure that Canada not only meets its commitments but also lives them more fully in the everyday lives of women, girls, children, and families. Through continued advocacy and collective action, NCWC will remain part of that journey — building on 133 years of service and striving toward a future worthy of the generations to come.

Respectfully,

Penny Rankin
NCWC President