



RESOLUTION 30

SEVENTH NATIONAL COPE CONVENTION
June 2-4, 2022
Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver, BC

Indigenous Education

- WHEREAS the federal government has still not fulfilled its duty to implement all 94 Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission;
- WHEREAS the labour movement has its own dark history when it comes to the treatment of Indigenous peoples that needs to be acknowledged and reconciled; and
- WHEREAS COPE/SEPBC and its locals are progressive leaders in social justice, equity, diversity and inclusion.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED COPE/SEPBC will encourage its locals to include language in future collective agreements for mandatory education for all members to receive a minimum of eight hours per year of Indigenous learning;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED COPE/SEPBC will call upon the Federal Government, to fund educational opportunities for adult learning on the true history of Indigenous peoples, residential schools and reconciliation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that COPE/SEPBC will encourage its regions and locals to also lobby their provincial and municipal governments to provide similar educational opportunities in their communities; and
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED COPE/SEPBC will encourage its locals across Canada to provide their own educational sessions to their members on Indigenous history, truth and reconciliation, and contemporary issues and challenges that Indigenous peoples face.

Resolution submitted by Local 378.