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I am pleased to present my report as the President of our provincial organization, reflecting on our continued efforts to advance French education and cultural enrichment across Alberta.

Advocacy remains at the forefront of our mission, and this year has seen substantial progress in this regard. We have been tirelessly engaging with government officials, educators, and other stakeholders to underscore the importance of French education in our province. Our commitment to advocacy has yielded remarkable results. After years of dedicated efforts across the entire Canadian Parents of French network, we are proud to announce the launch of the new Action Plan for Official Languages 2023-2028. This plan is a testament to our collective advocacy and underscores the crucial importance of official language protection and promotion in our country. Moreover, we're delighted to report that the Senate has adopted Bill C-13, representing the first major reform to the Official Languages Act in over 30 years. This milestone has been long-awaited by CPF members and signals a significant step forward in our mission to advance French education and linguistic diversity. We will persist in our commitment to ensuring that every student in Alberta has the opportunity to learn, embrace and thrive in Canada's official languages.

Our programs continue to thrive, serving as pillars of support for students, parents, and educators across Alberta. These initiatives not only foster a deep appreciation of the French language and culture but also empower our youth with valuable skills and knowledge. As we embark on a new year, we remain steadfast in our belief in the importance of French education and its role in shaping informed, engaged, and global citizens. Our mission also extends to revisiting the structure and purpose of our organization, aligning it with the evolving needs of our community and ensuring that we remain at the forefront of promoting plurilingualism in Alberta. Our commitment extends to the broader Canadian landscape as well, with a focus on Truth and Reconciliation. CPF is working closely with indigenous communities and organizations to foster understanding and support the preservation and revitalization of indigenous languages.

I would like to extend my appreciation for our Executive Director, Michael Tryon, whose unwavering dedication continues to drive the success of our network, supported by our devoted staff and volunteers who invest their time and energy into our mission. Together, we celebrate these accomplishments and look forward to the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

Thank you for your enduring commitment to Canadian Parents for French and for being an integral part of our journey.

Sincerely,
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