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Flags flying at half-mast in honour of the Honourable Murray Sinclair

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Tuesday, November 5, 2024—The flags outside the main entrance at Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) are flying at half-mast in memory of the Honourable Murray Sinclair who passed away on Monday, November 4 at the age of 73.

An Anishinaabe and member of the Peguis First Nation, Sinclair leaves behind a powerful legacy dedicated to Indigenous justice and advocacy through his work as a lawyer, the first Indigenous-appointed judge in Manitoba and second appointed in Canada.

A recipient of the Governor General's Meritorious Service Cross, Sinclair was also appointed to the Senate in recognition of his public service.

Sinclair also served as Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), which shed light on the painful trauma and impact of the residential school system on Indigenous Peoples and communities.

Under Sinclair's leadership, the TRC's report—which included 94 Calls to Action—continues to serve as a touchstone for the collective journey that is shared towards achieving truth and reconciliation, while giving a voice to residential school survivors and remembering the many children who did not return home.

Following the Federal Government's National Flag etiquette, the flags will remain at half-mast until sunset on the day of the Honourable Murray Sinclair's funeral and/or memorial service.

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, NHH delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, obstetrical care and palliative care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care and rehabilitation. Mental health care, cancer and supportive care, dialysis and other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves

the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 67,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope, Alderville First Nation and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs more than 850 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians, midwives and volunteers. NHH is an active member of Ontario Health (East)—formerly the Central East Local Health Integration Network—and the Ontario Health Team of Northumberland. For more information, please visit nhh.ca or follow us on Facebook [@northumberlandhillshosp](#), X/Twitter [@NorHillsHosp](#), and LinkedIn [Northumberland Hills Hospital.](#)

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