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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**SUBJECT: Honoring, Healing & Remembering 2021** 

As the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan prepares for its Virtual Honoring, Healing & Remembering event and the 87<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the closing of the Mt. Pleasant Indian Industrial Boarding School we are painfully awakened again to the shameful legacy of the American Indian Boarding School and the Canadian Indian Residential School era.

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan stands united in solemn respect with the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc community of British Columbia, Canada as they mourn 215 individuals discovered on the grounds of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. A fitting tribute to these beautiful children will be offered as part of the Virtual Honoring, Healing & Remembering event.

The Virtual Honoring, Healing & Remembering event recognizes the suffering, strength and resilience of approximately 225 students that perished while attending the Mt. Pleasant Indian Industrial Boarding School. Please join us on Friday, June 4, 2021 from 10:00am-12:00pm at <a href="http://www.sagchip.org/miibs">http://www.sagchip.org/miibs</a> to help bring awareness to the devastating effects of the American Indian Boarding School and the Canadian Indian Residential School era as we honor the children through a day of memoriam and fellowship.

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