

# FIRST NATIONS ▶ CALL TO ACTION

## LYNN BEYAK

**RESIGN FROM THE SENATE OF CANADA**

### PETITION SUMMARY & BACKGROUND

**On March 7, 2017**, Senator Lynn Beyak defended the Indian Residential School in the Senate of Canada. She stated that an “abundance of good” has come from the Residential School system, and that the schools were “well-intentioned” and “mistakes” should not overshadow “good things” that happened.

**On September 1, 2017**, Senator Beyak posted a letter on her website repeating her defense of the Indian Residential School System, and urged First Nation people to “Trade your status card for a Canadian citizenship.” (Indigenous Peoples are Canadian Citizens).

Senator Beyak’s comments are extremely offensive to not only Residential School Survivors but to all First Nations people. In a day where First Nations people and federal, provincial and municipal governments strive to reconcile our shared history, there is no room for the narrow-minded and dangerous views for a member of the Senate of Canada to have as they approve laws governing the country.

### ACTION PETITIONED FOR

We, the undersigned, are concerned First Nations people and allies, who demand Lynn Beyak to immediately resign from the Senate of Canada.

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