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MEDIA RELEASE

École Maurice-Lavallée celebrates its 25th anniversary!

Edmonton, AB - November 10, 2009 - École Maurice-Lavallée, the first publicly-funded francophone school in Edmonton, celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. On November 27, 1984, Mr. Maurice Lavallée (with wife Jeanne in attached photo) was the honoured guest at the inauguration of the school which would bear his name.

During its first 10 years, École Maurice-Lavallée was operated by Edmonton Catholic Schools. In 1994, the school became one of five schools to come under the authority of the Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord (Greater North Central Francophone Educational Region No.2). Since its inception, the school has seen many changes in its grade configuration. As of September 2009, Maurice-Lavallée is now a senior high school (10-12) with an excellent academic reputation.

Claudette Roy was chair of the ad hoc committee which worked to obtain what is now regarded as a milestone for the francophone community of Alberta: "We submitted a memorandum to Edmonton Catholic Schools containing a petition with 1,000 names gathered mostly at our local churches. The greater community contributed in acquiring this school and we would like to invite everyone to partake in the 25th anniversary celebrations".

Celebrations will be held on **Saturday, November 28 at École Maurice-Lavallée (8828-95 Street)**. At 7pm, highlights from the past 25 years will come to life through the talents of presenters, musicians and historians from the francophone community. A reception will follow at 8pm.

RSVP before November 20 by e-mail ml@csrcn.ab.ca or by phone 780-465-6457.

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