



PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
ÎLE-DU-PRINCE-ÉDOUARD

BIRTHPLACE OF CONFEDERATION ACT

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CHAPTER B-3.1

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS on September 1, 1864, leaders of the governments and legislatures of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Province of Canada met in Charlottetown and agreed on a vision of a union of the British North American colonies and the creation of a new country;

AND WHEREAS that vision was further expressed in formal resolutions and legislation at ensuing conferences in Quebec City in October 1864 and London in December 1864, and became the basis of our country, Canada;

AND WHEREAS by Proclamation of the Prime Minister of Canada, on September 1, 1996, the role of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, as the birthplace of Confederation was recognized and affirmed as an integral part of our Canadian heritage;

AND WHEREAS September 1, 2014, marks the 150th anniversary of the Charlottetown Conference and the birth of Confederation;

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Prince Edward Island as follows:

1. Powers of Premier

- (1) The Premier of Prince Edward Island may, as he joins Islanders and all Canadians in commemorating and celebrating the Charlottetown Conference and honouring the achievement of the Fathers of Confederation, lead initiatives to:
 - (a) promote the recognition of Charlottetown and Prince Edward Island as the Birthplace of Canadian Confederation, an integral symbol of our national heritage;
 - (b) mark and recognize sites and buildings throughout Charlottetown and Prince Edward Island where meetings and activities of the Charlottetown Conference were held or that honour the Charlottetown Conference;
 - (c) otherwise commemorate and celebrate the Charlottetown Conference and the formation of the Dominion of Canada.

Idem

- (2) The Premier may enter into agreements and partnerships with any person or body to exercise the powers set out in subsection (1). *2013, c.4, s.1.*