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EVERMORE GATHER GROW LEAD INC. ACHIEVES IMAGINE CANADA ACCREDITATION

Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc. has officially achieved **Imagine Canada Accreditation**, a national recognition that highlights the organization's excellence in governance, transparency and impact. This milestone underscores Evermore's commitment to providing high-quality, accountable and sustainable programs for children, youth and families in Winnipeg's West Central Community.

The **Standards Program** is a Canada-wide set of shared standards for charities and non-profits designed to strengthen organizational practices, increase transparency, and build public confidence in the sector. It evaluates organizations across five key areas:

- Board governance
- Financial accountability and transparency
- Fundraising
- Staff management
- Volunteer involvement

Evermore's accreditation reviewers commended the organization on putting forward a very strong application, noting that the governance portion demonstrated how a relatively small charity utilizes a disciplined and thorough approach to strategic planning and mission review. Leading practices were highlighted across multiple standards, reflecting Evermore's commitment to excellence, transparency and accountability.

Founded in 1977 as the West Central Community Program a small community-based program and rebranding to Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc. in 2019, Evermore has grown into an organization providing after-school programs, summer programs, leadership development initiatives and community engagement activities for children and youth aged 6–17. Achieving Imagine Canada Accreditation reflects the dedication, resilience and collaboration of Evermore's Board, staff, and volunteers and ensures continued excellence in the services provided to the community.

"This accreditation is a milestone for Evermore and a recognition of the commitment, heart and dedication of our team," said Kerris Chinery, Executive Director of Evermore. "It demonstrates that our governance, systems and practices meet the highest national standards, ensuring we continue to serve children, youth and families with integrity, accountability and excellence."

For more information on Imagine Canada and the Standards Program, visit: www.imaginecanada.ca.

ABOUT EVERMORE GATHER GROW LEAD INC.

Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc., established in 1977 as the West Central Community Program, is dedicated to "Building Community Through Children." The organization provides inclusive, high-quality programs that inspire personal growth, leadership, and community engagement for children and youth in Winnipeg's West Central Community. From after-school programs to summer drop-in programs and leadership initiatives, Evermore fosters safe, nurturing, and enriching environments for young people. For more information, visit: www.evermoreggl.com

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