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100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHINESE EXCLUSIONARY ACT

2023 MARKS 100 YEARS SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE CHINESE IMMIGRATION ACT, BETTER KNOWN AS THE CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT.

## CHINESE EXCLUSION CENTENARY



"THE CHINESE IMMIGRATION ACT OF 1923, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT, WAS A DARK TIME IN CANADA'S HISTORY THAT HAS LASTING IMPACTS TODAY. ALONG WITH THE CHINESE IMMIGRATION ACT OF 1885, WHICH IMPOSED A HEAD TAX ON CHINESE NEWCOMERS TO CANADA, THE RACIST 1923 LEGISLATION ALMOST COMPLETELY PREVENTED PEOPLE FROM CHINA FROM ENTERING CANADA FOR 24 YEARS. IT REMAINED IN PLACE UNTIL ITS EVENTUAL REPEAL ON THIS DAY IN 1947. THIS SYSTEMIC DISCRIMINATION AND RACIST POLICY SEPARATED LOVED ONES, IMPOVERISHED FAMILIES, AND REINFORCED PREJUDICE AGAINST PEOPLE OF CHINESE ORIGIN IN CANADA - SCARS THAT **WOULD ENDURE FOR GENERATIONS.** 



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