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**Item No. 15.6.3**

<b>Request for Council's Consideration</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Included on Agenda</b> (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Added Item</b> (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Request from the Floor</b>
<b>Date of Council Meeting: August 19, 2025</b>		
<b>Subject: Funding Support for The Gifts We Carry: Youth Empowerment Event Honouring Residential School Survivors</b>		
<p><b>Motion for Council to Consider:</b> THAT Halifax Regional Council approve funding in the amount of \$75,000, from Reserve Q621, the Community and Events Reserve, for The Gifts We Carry: Youth Empowerment Event Honouring Residential School Survivors from the Marketing Levy Special Events Reserve (MLSER), pursuant to Section 38 of the Marketing Levy Special Events Reserve Administrative Order, on the basis that Council is satisfied the grant will promote tourism in accordance with the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter.</p> <p><b>Reason:</b> While the Special Events Advisory Committee did not recommend allocating funds from the MLSER for this initiative, municipal staff recognized its cultural significance, alignment with reconciliation objectives, and positive community impact. This large-scale event hosts local tourists and promotes HRM as a destination nationally.</p> <p><b>Outcome Sought:</b> That this event receives municipal support through funding from the MLSER under Section 38, ensuring it can proceed successfully and achieve its intended cultural, educational, and tourism-promoting benefits.</p>		
<i>Councillor Laura White</i>	<i>District 7</i>	