



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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Legislative Assembly of Alberta: Black Ribbon Day Ceremony

EDMONTON – “It is important for us to stand in solidarity with those who suffered the atrocities of the Second World War at the hands of the Nazi and Communist regimes,” said Robert E. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. “Many of the survivors and their descendants call Alberta home, and Black Ribbon Day is an opportunity for us to recognize them, their struggle and their strength.”

August 23, known as Black Ribbon Day, is the national day of remembrance for the victims of Hitler’s Nazi and Stalin’s Communist regimes in Europe during the Second World War.

The annual Black Ribbon Day ceremony will take place in the Legislature Building rotunda on Sunday, August 23, 2015, at 3 p.m. Mr. Richard Feehan will host the ceremony on behalf of Speaker Wanner.

Remarks will be delivered by:

- Mr. Richard Feehan, MLA, Edmonton-Rutherford, Deputy Chair of Committees (on behalf of Speaker Wanner)
- Mr. David Shepherd, MLA, Edmonton-Centre (on behalf of Premier Notley)
- Mr. Tany Yao, MLA, Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo (on behalf of the Leader of Her Majesty’s Loyal Opposition, Brian Jean)
- Terese Szlamp-Fryga, president, Canadian Polish Congress Alberta Society
- Dr. Zsolt Szekely, president, Western Canadian Szekely-Hungarian Cultural Association
- Mr. Ivan Lypovyk, vice-president, Ukrainian Canadian Congress Alberta Provincial Council

The Black Ribbon Day ceremony will include an invocation from Father Majek, Oblates of Mary Immaculate, and a performance by violinist Laszlo Szajko Jr.

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