



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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FIRST POPPY PRESENTATION HONOURING CANADA'S FALLEN

Edmonton – The red poppy is an international symbol of remembrance that represents the immeasurable sacrifices made by our men and women during the First World War and in later conflicts.

“When we wear a poppy on our left lapel, we honour and respect the fallen members of the Royal Canadian Navy, Canadian Army and Royal Canadian Air Force,” said Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Honourable Robert Wanner of the emblem, which was adopted in Canada in 1921. “The poppy serves as a symbol and reminder to all of us that we shall never forget.”

Her Honour, the Honourable Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, will be presented with the first poppy by the Royal Canadian Legion.

First Poppy Presentation Alberta Legislature Rotunda Wednesday, October 28, at 11 a.m.

The Royal Canadian Legion’s annual poppy campaign takes place from the last Friday in October until November 11, Remembrance Day. Proceeds from the campaign are used to provide direct assistance to Canada’s veterans in need.

Remarks will be delivered by:

- Her Honour the Honourable Lois Mitchell, CM, AOE, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta
- Honourable Rachel Notley, MLA, Premier of Alberta
- Honourable Robert E. Wanner, MLA, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
- Mr. Brian Jean, MLA, Leader of Her Majesty’s Loyal Opposition
- Mr. Ric McIver, MLA, Leader of the PC Opposition
- Dr. David Swann, MLA, Leader of the Liberal Opposition
- Mr. Greg Clark, MLA, Leader of the Alberta Party Opposition
- Comrade John F. Mahon, CD, Major (ret’d), District 3 Commander, AB-NWT Command, Royal Canadian Legion

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