



***Spirit Lives***

# *Spiritualist Church of Canada*

Member of Parliament  
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Dear

I trust this message finds you in good spirits. As a committed member or advocate of the Spiritualist Church of Canada, I am reaching out to seek your invaluable support for a cause that is close to our hearts. With the centennial celebration of the church's incorporation on the horizon in 2029, we are striving to obtain an official declaration from our federal government to recognize March 31st as National Spiritualism Day in Canada. Your support could be pivotal in making this dream a reality.

Modern Spiritualism began on March 31, 1848, in the upstate region of New York, where the religion was established by individuals, including Canadian immigrants from eastern Ontario. By 1860, this movement had extended its reach to Canada and gained millions of followers worldwide.

The Spiritualist Church of Canada, incorporated in 1929 as the Spiritualist National Union of Canada, has played an essential role in promoting the teachings and philosophy of Modern Spiritualism across Canada and beyond. Our efforts to gain recognition as a religious denomination enable our ordained ministers to perform marriages and serve our communities.

We are dedicated to offering ongoing educational and accreditation programs, alongside minister ordination. Furthermore, we provide support to our member churches and societies, helping them navigate government policies and responsibilities. Many of our member churches are also recognized as charitable organizations in various provinces.

We take pride in having a significant archival collection related to Modern Spiritualism housed at the University of Waterloo Library and the University of Manitoba. These archives

are essential for academic researchers and enthusiasts, further emphasizing our contributions to Canadian society. A government declaration would not only celebrate the centenary of Modern Spiritualism's establishment but also highlight its enduring impact on our national culture and spiritual identity.

Such recognition would enable us to honor our heritage while fostering a greater understanding and acceptance of the beneficial principles and practices of Spiritualism. Your endorsement of this initiative would be greatly appreciated and would significantly enhance the acknowledgment of Canada's diverse spiritual heritage.

I eagerly await your response.

Sincerely,

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