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CULTURE AND TOURISM

*Office of the Minister  
MLA, Calgary-Cross*

June 28, 2017

Dear Mayor:

Each year, thousands of Alberta volunteers dedicate their time and talents to making this province a great place to live, visit, and raise a family. Thanks to their dedication, Albertans have access to the cultural, recreational, and social programs that are cornerstones for building strong communities and promising futures for all Albertans.

The Government of Alberta values the commitment of Alberta volunteers. The Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards were established as a way to recognize the outstanding contributions of volunteers in helping to make life better for their family, friends, and neighbours.

You can help recognize the remarkable volunteers in your community by encouraging local organizations and individuals to submit nominations for the 2017 Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards. I also ask that you and your council colleagues share your own stories of how volunteers have made a difference in your life and the life of your community.

Six awards, two in each category of youth, adult, and senior, are presented annually on International Volunteer Day, December 5, at Government House in Edmonton. Albertans whose volunteer efforts have contributed to the well-being of their community are eligible to be nominated.

Full information, including nominations forms and a downloadable promotional poster suitable for printing or placement on your community website, can be found on our website at [www.culturetourism.alberta.ca/stars](http://www.culturetourism.alberta.ca/stars). Deadline for nominations is September 15, 2017.

Thank you for your support of Alberta volunteers and the Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards!

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ricardo Miranda".

Ricardo Miranda  
Minister

cc: Honourable Shaye Anderson, Minister of Municipal Affairs

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