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Service to Canada to be Highlighted at Former Parliamentarians' Event

OTTAWA, March 23, 2015 —

“This year’s Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians’ dinner in favour of our Educational Foundation will focus on public service as a Canadian value,” said CAFP President, the Hon. Andy Mitchell. “Our featured speaker, Mr. Steve Paikin, has studied and written extensively about the sacrifices involved in public life, will address the topic,” he continued, “... and we will be making a special presentation to Mr. Kevin Vickers, formerly House of Commons Sgt.-at-Arms and now our Ambassador to Ireland, for his exceptional service to Parliament.

“We had to postpone the dinner, which was originally set for last October 22, 2014 due to the sad events of that day, but we were determined to re-group. The re-scheduled event is going to be a special evening affirming Canadian values,” Mr. Mitchell concluded.

The 10th annual Douglas C. Frith fundraising dinner benefitting the Educational Foundation of the Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians will take place on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at the Fairmont Château Laurier Hotel in Ottawa, commencing with a reception at 6:00 p.m.

The Association seeks to promote, in a non-partisan fashion, the development of democratic values and participation in the democratic process in Canada, especially among young Canadians and among young parliaments and legislatures abroad.

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