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Dear Constituent;

This letter is to request your input in the effort to choose 30 worthy recipients of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal from Vegreville-Wainwright, Alberta. I hope you will assist me by posting or distributing this message in order to notify as many people as possible.

The Commemorative medal for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee was created to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty's accession to the throne as Queen of Canada. Each Member of Parliament has been given 30 medals for their constituency. If you would like to nominate someone who has exhibited distinguished service and/or made a significant achievement to his or her fellow citizens, community or to Canada, please do so.

There have been medals allocated to other individuals as well (such as the Lieutenant Governor), and I am honoured to have the opportunity to participate in distributing 30 to my constituents. It is an opportunity to pay tribute to those who make our country great. (Candidates are not limited by age, either, so let's hear from the youth out there!)

To be eligible, recipients must:

1. be a Canadian citizen (although not necessarily resident in Canada at the time of awarding);
2. have made a significant contribution to Canada or to a particular province, territory, region or community within Canada, or have made an outstanding achievement abroad that brings credit to Canada; and
3. have been alive on February 6, 2012, the sixtieth anniversary of Her Majesty's accession to the Throne.

I will be contacting as many groups and organizations as I can over the next month asking for nominations, but it is important to start the process as soon as possible. Once all nominations have been received, a Committee will review the nominations – based on the guidelines provided – and choose 30 recipients.

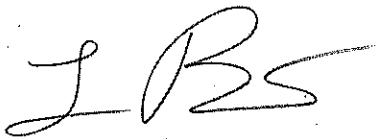
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Please send nominations (along with *your* full name and a contact number) to:
Vegreville-Wainwright Jubilee Medal Selection Committee, P.O. Box 300, Mannville,
Alberta, T0B 2W0, as soon as possible. You are also welcome to fax any information to
my office at (780) 763-6132. In addition to a short statement or brief summary of your
candidates' achievements (40 words), the following information about the nominee **must**
be included:

- full name
- rank and title
- home address
- telephone number
- short statement explaining the reason for the nomination
- photo (*optional*)

I believe that granting honours such as the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal is a tangible
and lasting way to pay tribute to people whose achievements have benefited their fellow
citizens, their community and their country. Our commitment to Canada is strengthened
when we collectively pay homage to those who distinguished themselves by virtue of
their talents and their service to the community and country.

Please find enclosed some sample application forms (additional copies can be printed
from my website at www.leonbenoit.ca), and let me know if I can provide any further help
or information.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Benoit', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Leon Benoit, MP
Vegreville-Wainwright

Nomination Form: Commemorative Medal for the Diamond Jubilee

Confidential when completed

Candidate		Nominator
Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss Full Name		Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss Name
Address		Title
Postal Code	Telephone	Address
Email	Fax	
Business Address		
	Postal Code	Postal Code
Telephone	Fax	Email
Profession / Occupation		Telephone
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Fax
Preferred Language	Sex	
Citizenship (must be Canadian Citizen)		Signature
		Date

Important This form may be photocopied if needed.

Please provide the following information on a separate page or in a covering letter:

1. The reasons why you are nominating this individual (short summary) - **REQUIRED**
2. An up-to-date biographical sketch or a résumé of the nominee including
 - o professional activities / occupations with responsibilities and time frames
 - o dates of specific deeds or activities
 - o dates of active participation in organizations
 - o all official honours / awards
3. Any other information that might assist the independent committee that recommends recipients to the Governor General

References - Persons who might support this nomination

Persons who might support this nomination should be familiar with the nominee's achievements, e.g., officials of organizations in which the nominee is or has been an active member. To maintain confidentiality, it is preferable that these persons not be contacted by the nominator.

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Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss Name	Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss Name	Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss Name
Title	Title	Title
Address	Address	Address
Postal Code	Postal Code	Postal Code
Telephone	Telephone	Telephone

Please send the completed form and attachments to:

Vegreville-Wainwright Jubilee Medal Selection Committee
c/o P.O. Box 300, Mannville, AB, T0B 2W0