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November 23, 2009

The Hon. Darrell Dexter
Premier of Nova Scotia
PO Box 726
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Dear Premier Dexter,

Re: Provincial Day to Honour Volunteer Firefighters

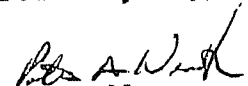
On behalf of the Municipality of the County of Annapolis, I am pleased to forward this letter, respectfully requesting consideration by the Province to designate a day during Fire Prevention Week as "Volunteer Firefighters Day" (October 4th to 10th in 2009).

As you are no doubt aware, many of the fire departments in Nova Scotia are staffed by volunteers who in addition to their regular jobs must train, practice and respond to the call to combat fires as well as assist as emergency responders. Although municipal units do contribute to annual operations and/or capital costs, such funding does not cover the many hours spent by volunteer firefighters in order to prepare and put their lives on the line for their fellow Nova Scotians.

Accordingly, this request is being submitted for your thoughtful consideration to designate a day honouring volunteer firefighters on a provincial-wide basis in consultation with the Nova Scotia Firefighters Association.

Your response at the earliest convenience would be much appreciated.

Yours very truly,


Peter A. Newton
Warden

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