

Speaking Notes

Honourable Greg Weadick

Minister of Advanced Education and Technology

Installation Ceremony of the

New President of Mount Royal University

Mount Royal University

Triple Gym

4825 Mount Royal Gate SW

Calgary, Alberta

Friday, November 4, 2011

2-3 minutes

Introduction

- Thank you Mr. Shaw [*Chair, Mount Royal University Board of Governors*] for that kind introduction.

- And good morning:
 - Your Honours,

 - Honourable Ministers,

 - Members of Parliament,

 - Your Worship,

 - Chief,

 - Mount Royal University officials,

 - General,

 - Guests, staff and students from Mount Royal University.

Congratulate Dr. Docherty

- On behalf of Premier Redford and the Government of Alberta...

...I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to Dr. Docherty [*DOK-ur-tee*] as you take on your new role as President of Mount Royal University.

- I would also like to take this opportunity to personally welcome you to Alberta.
- You will be leading Mount Royal at a very exciting time in our province...
 ...a time when advanced education, technology and innovation will play an essential role in securing Alberta's future success.
- To ensure that success, we need people of vision...
 ... we need outstanding leadership...
 ...and we need to collectively look ahead at industry and the skilled workforce necessary to lead Alberta in the global marketplace.
- In other words...we need accomplished individuals like you.
- As Minister, I look forward to working in collaboration with you on our shared vision of Campus Alberta.
- I know that with your steady hand, Mount Royal University...
 ...along with Alberta's other universities...
 ...and our colleges and technical institutes...
 ...will continue to be recognized as among the best in the world...

- And I trust that together, we will continue:
 - ...to find solutions to great problems...
 - ...and to give our students unique learning opportunities.
- It goes without saying that the thousands of graduates of Mount Royal University have gone on to become outstanding leaders...
 - ...positively influencing the social, cultural and economic face of our province.
- As many of you know, one of those outstanding leaders is our dynamic Premier...the Honourable Allison Redford...whose vision for Alberta is equally as dynamic.
- She has declared...point blank...that Alberta equals opportunity...
 - ...and she has declared that our government must do everything it can to promote this simple fact.
- I feel so fortunate to be part of the team helping to realize this opportunity for Alberta...
 - ...and I'm happy to be able to welcome you...Dr. Docherty...to that team.

Conclusion

- Here's to working on Alberta's future success...together.
- Thank you.

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