



OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO

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**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO RECEIVE FIRST POPPY
TO LAUNCH ONTARIO POPPY CAMPAIGN**

TORONTO – On Monday, October 26, the Honourable David C. Onley will be presented with the first poppy of the 2009 Ontario poppy campaign by Mr. Andre Paquette, 1st Vice-President of the Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario Command. This marks the start of this year's Poppy Campaign in Ontario, which aims to raise awareness of the service and sacrifice of men and women in the Canadian Armed Forces.

The poppy is a national symbol of remembrance for Canadians who have served in times of war and peace. It was adopted in 1921 by The Great War Veterans Association, the founding group of the Royal Canadian Legion. Each year, over 19 million poppies are distributed across Canada.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

Who: The Honourable David C. Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
Mr. Andre Paquette, 1st Vice-President, Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario
Command

What: Presentation of the first poppy to launch the 2009 Poppy Campaign in Ontario

Where: Music Room, Lieutenant Governor's Suite, Queen's Park (2nd floor entrance)

When: Monday, October 26, 2009, 10:30 a.m.

- Media are asked to arrive by 10:15 a.m. -

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