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His Majesty The King Buckingham Palace London SW1A 1AA United Kingdom

To His Majesty, King Charles III, King of Canada,

May it please your Majesty.

On behalf of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, I extend expressions of gratitude for the life of your mother, Queen Elizabeth II and our deepest sympathy to you and your family upon her death.

Her Majesty's dignity, wisdom, courage and sense of duty over her long reign have been a source of great inspiration. We are grateful for the sacrifice and leadership that Queen Elizabeth demonstrated in the service of so many people.

We give thanks to God for Queen Elizabeth's faith, which she graciously shared with the world. Her deep personal Christian devotion and the thoughtful ways in which she made public expressions of her hope in the gospel have been an example for many. Through her words and actions, she lived out what it means to be a follower of the One who sits on the throne of heaven and to be a disciple of Jesus Christ while at the same time showing deep respect and appreciation for those of other faiths.

We extend to you, your wife, your sister and brothers and to Prince William and all the Royal Family, our condolences in this time of grief. Her Majesty once said, "Grief is the price we pay for love". We pray that sad feelings of loss will blend with fond memories in the weeks and years ahead in ways that give you and your family comfort and peace.

Be assured that we also offer prayers for you and the Queen Consort as you begin to fulfil the heavy obligations and responsibilities as Monarch of Canada and the Head of the Commonwealth.

Yours sincerely,

The Rev. Dr. Robert N. Faris