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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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ALBERTA VOLUNTEER AWARD ACT

MR. R. SPEAKER

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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ALBERTA VOLUNTEER AWARD ACT

(Assented to , 1983)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1 In this Act,

- (a) "award" means an Alberta Volunteer Award;
- (b) "Fund" means the Alberta Volunteer Award Fund established pursuant to section 2;
- (c) "Minister" means the Minister of Social Services and Community Health;
- (d) "Trustee" means a Trustee of the Fund.

Fund established

2(1) There is hereby established the Alberta Volunteer Award Fund into which shall be paid

- (a) any money appropriated to that purpose by the Legislature;
- (b) any money received by the Trustees by way of gift, bequest or otherwise for payment into the Fund.

(2) Out of the Fund, the Trustees may make awards and grants pursuant to this Act.

Trustees

3 The Fund shall be administered by 3 Trustees, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Legislative Assembly, to be appointed by the Minister.

Awards

4(1) Awards may be made from the Fund by the Trustees to persons selected from names submitted to them pursuant to section 5, on the

basis of volunteer service in the community over a period of no less than 2 years.

(2) An award made pursuant to subsection (1) shall be in the amount of \$500.

(3) Where an award is made to a person pursuant to subsection (1) the Trustees shall also make a grant in the amount of \$500 to the benefit of a volunteer community service organization operating in the community from which the person was nominated or may divide the grant between 2 or more such organizations.

(4) In selecting an organization to receive a grant, the Trustees shall take into consideration the suggestions of the person receiving the award.

Nominations to Trustees; awards

5(1) Any 10 or more persons may jointly submit to the Trustees no later than November 1 in a year the name of a person considered by them to be deserving of an award for that year.

(2) The Trustees shall select from the names submitted to them and announce no later than the next ensuing February 1 the names of the nominees who shall receive an Alberta Volunteer Award, and the names of the organizations that shall receive a grant.

(3) The number of awards given in a year shall be in the discretion of the Trustees but, where the assets of the Fund permits, shall be 100 in number.

(4) Every Alberta Volunteer Award and grant shall be paid no later than the next ensuing March 1.

Annual statement

6(1) The Trustees shall on no later than March 1 in each year submit to the Minister an audited annual financial statement of the Fund for the preceding year.

(2) The Auditor General is the auditor of the Fund.

(3) Upon receiving the statement the Minister shall table it in the Legislative Assembly if it is then sitting and if it is not then sitting, within 30 days of the commencement of the next sitting.

Publication of awards

7 The Trustees shall cause to be published in The Alberta Gazette the names of every person receiving an award and the name of every organization receiving a grant under this Act.

Certificate

8 The Trustees shall present to each person who receives an award a certificate of the award in a form to be determined by the Trustees.

Coming into force

9 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.