



PROCLAMATION

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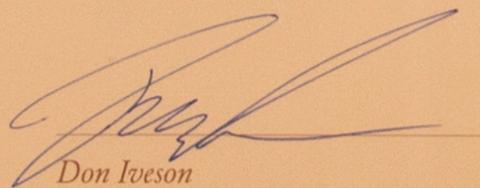
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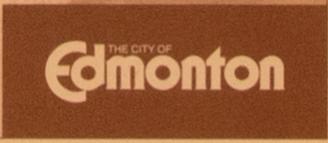
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Dated this 28th day of March, 2014



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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

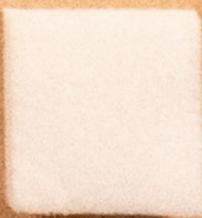


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