

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL ' LA GOUVERNEURE GÉNÉRALE

## Message from the Governor General on the occasion of the Evening of Hope Gala

I am pleased to send greetings to everyone taking part in the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Evening of Hope Gala.

Lung cancer continues to be the leading cause of death from cancer for both men and women in Canada. Despite this staggering statistic, Canada has one of the highest survival rates in the world, owing to improved screening, advanced research and innovative health care practices.

As we continue to face the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are reminded of the importance of working together for the betterment of all. To the caregivers, researchers, nurses, physicians and front-line staff who continue to do everything in their power to help lung cancer patients and survivors, I say thank you.

I wish everyone an enjoyable evening.

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