

THE HONOURABLE LOIS E. MITCHELL, CM AOE, LLD

The Hon. Lois Mitchell is a career businesswoman and a proud, longstanding member of Canada's dedicated corps of community volunteers. She served as the 18th Lieutenant Governor of Alberta from June 12, 2015 until she completed her five-year term on August 26, 2020.

During her tenure in office, she chose to make history education a priority and became founding patron of the History and Heroes Foundation, of which she is now the Chair. The Hon. Lois Mitchell is currently Vice-Chair of the Global Business Forum and a Governor for the Royal Canadian Geographical Society.

Prior to becoming Lieutenant Governor, she spent many years working as an entrepreneur, developing and growing successful marketing and corporate training firms. Her résumé as a community volunteer includes service in a wide range of areas, including sport, education, the arts, national unity and support for Canada's men and women in uniform. She is a past Board Chair of the Calgary Chamber of Commerce, past Board Chair of the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra and a past Board Director for UBS Bank (Canada) and Mitacs.

The Mitchells have extended generous patronage over the years to a variety of programs and scholarships to support Canada's athletes and to foster opportunities for women in amateur sport. The Doug and Lois Mitchell Trophy is presented annually to the top male and female Canadian university athletes as part of the U SPORTS Lieutenant Governor Athletic Awards which have been championed by the Mitchells since 1993.

In 2015, Hon. Lois Mitchell received Honourary Doctor of Laws degrees from both the University of Alberta and the University of Calgary, became a Dame of Justice of the Order of St. John and received the Alberta Order of Excellence. In 2012 she was named a Member of the Order of Canada.

