

**Thursday, March 21, 2013**

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Volunteer Canada, I would like to congratulate Ruth MacKenzie, on her acceptance of the role of Executive Director of the Canadian Association of Gift Planners. After 12 years with Volunteer Canada, and six years as President and CEO, we would like to express how grateful we are to Ruth for the many strengths she has brought to this role, her leadership, and the passion she has for Volunteer Canada. We congratulate her on her new role and wish her all the very best in her new endeavors.

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Paula Speevak Sladowski, current Director of Programs, Policy and Applied Research, to Interim President and CEO during this period of transition. The Board of Directors looks forward to working closely with Paula, as we transition to new leadership. We are confident in the many strengths of Volunteer Canada, and we look forward to the many opportunities that lay ahead.

Sincerely,  
Ilona Dougherty  
Chair, Board of Directors  
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