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Office of the Mayor

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Dear Friends:

As Mayor, and on behalf of Council, I am very pleased to recognize “London Celebrates Canada” as our community’s key volunteer organization for upcoming Canada Day celebrations at Harris Park and in preparations leading up to Canada’s sesquicentennial.

Over the past several years, London’s Canada Day celebrations at the Forks of the Thames have increased in size and popularity. “London Celebrates Canada” has worked diligently to promote the event, to expand its scope and to demonstrate how inclusive our city is. Congratulations to each of the volunteers for the day and especially to those organizers who begin planning for the next year’s event, almost before the fireworks have faded from the July 1st night skies.

Canada is a great country and London has demonstrated a wide spread devotion and pride to our land. As we celebrate our heritage, history and the humanity that makes us who we are, we begin to understand how amazing Canadians are and how important this event is to us all.

“London Celebrates Canada” works with multiple levels of government and partners with community members, organizations and business. This team approach has delivered outstanding events and I wish you all the best as you continue to organize not only for July 1st, but also the sesquicentennial.

Last July 1st, I was one of 38,000 plus Londoners who gathered at the heart of our city, to celebrate Canada’s founding. I was one of 38,000 plus proud Canadians and proud Londoners. I look forward to joining the festivities again in 2012.

Sincerely,

Honourable Joe Fontana
Mayor