



Premier of Alberta

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## Message from Honourable Jim Prentice Premier of Alberta

*On behalf of the Government of Alberta, I am pleased to extend greetings to all those observing International Mother Language Day 2015.*

*Our province is very fortunate to have people from various cultural backgrounds call Alberta home. This diversity gives our province great strength, as it provides us with many different perspectives, enabling us to foster an environment of opportunity while promoting cross-cultural understanding. The mother language of each of these cultures is a crucial part of their history and traditions, and learning and preserving these languages is a powerful way to reinforce the empowering diversity of Alberta.*

*My sincere thanks go out to the Bangladesh PressClub Centre of Alberta for the work they have done to promote International Mother Language Day in our province. You are helping Albertans protect and promote their rich ethnic history.*

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**Jim Prentice**

*February 21, 2015*