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Message from the Minister of Health and Wellness

On behalf of the Government of Alberta and Alberta Health and Wellness, I am pleased to welcome all delegates attending the 2007 Edmonton Aging Symposium.

Achieving and maintaining a high standard of health for all citizens is a key priority for Alberta. The future of our province depends on our health and well-being as individuals, families and communities. Our health determines the quality of life we enjoy, as well as our capacity to pursue what we want in life. They say aging is a state of mind and I believe that. I also believe that we can all participate in some level of fitness to improve our mental and physical health.

Your symposium brings together worldwide experts who will explore the medical and technological possibilities of living longer - and most importantly - healthier lives. I congratulate your symposium organizers for their work in creating a compelling conference theme that features such a diverse group of presenters.

I hope you will make the most of this opportunity to learn new ideas and debate the many challenges and exciting potential for healthy aging.

Best wishes on a successful conference and a pleasant stay in Alberta.

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