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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to inform you that nominations for the **Newcomer Champion Awards** are now being accepted. The awards were created in 2007 and expanded this year to include three categories: ChangeTheWorld Youth Ambassador, Community Leader and Newcomer Champion.

The Newcomer Champion Awards recognize individuals and groups who have made a difference in their community and province through active citizenship and engagement. Award recipients are champions of voluntarism, proud supporters of newcomers, and advocates of greater social and civic inclusion.

Any resident of Ontario may submit a nomination. Nominees may be individuals or groups who have demonstrated leadership and commitment in celebrating Ontario's diversity and growth.

Nomination forms and more information are available on the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat website at www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards, or by phone at 416 314-7526, toll free 1 877 832-8622, or TTY 416 327-2391. **The nomination deadline is April 29, 2011.**

Ontario is dedicated to building a province where cultural diversity is celebrated, newcomers are valued and people are engaged in working together to improve the quality of life for everyone.

Please consider recognizing an individual or group who has helped make this great province what it is.

Sincerely,

Dr. Eric Hoskins
Minister

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