



**Statement from the Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) on the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II**

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**Mattawa, ON – September 12, 2022** – The CIF-IFC joins those in Canada and across the globe in mourning the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Serving 70 years on the throne, Queen Elizabeth II was Britain’s longest reigning monarch and will be remembered for her commitment and devotion to the Commonwealth and its people.

As the national voice of forest practitioners, the Institute applauds Her Majesty’s dedication to forestry-related initiatives such as The Queen’s Green Canopy. In addition, His Majesty King Charles III and the Duchy of Cornwall have been strong supporters in recognizing the achievements of outstanding young forestry professionals in Canada through CIF-IFC National Award Programs such as the Prince of Wales Award for Sustainable Forestry and Prince of Wales Forest Leadership Award.

“The CIF-IFC offers its thoughts and condolences to The Royal Family during this difficult time and celebrates the exemplary life of service of Queen Elizabeth II,” expresses Mark Pearson, CIF-IFC Executive Director.

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with an interest in forestry and forests. The Institute strives to provide national leadership, promote competence, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry/forest issues.

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