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The more we know about our history, the better we understand where we've come from and who we are. Learning about our history makes us remember our past and face our future with confidence and optimism. Our Government is proud to support organizations like ACS that enhance Canadians' knowledge of our country.

As we prepare to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Confederation in 2017, we have a wonderful opportunity to highlight important anniversaries and the people and events that have shaped our history. This includes this year's centennial of women in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta gaining the right to vote—a first step toward equality and women's rights in Canada.

As Minister of Canadian Heritage, I would like to commend ACS on its commitment to ensuring our collective past has a vibrant presence in Canada today. I wish everyone taking part an enjoyable and productive conference.

The Honourable Mélanie Joly

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