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Dear Dan MacKay,

I hope this message finds you in good spirits and health. I am writing to extend my deepest and sincerest gratitude for the invaluable support you provided to ensure the resounding success of the beleaguered Halifax Pride 2023 Week and Celebration. Your tireless efforts in getting the word out there and your unwavering dedication to the cause have truly made a significant impact on the entire event.

Your impressive bio serves as a testament to your remarkable journey and your unwavering commitment to various communities and causes. From your early years in Nova Scotia to your work with Wayves Magazine and the Halifax Rainbow Encyclopedia, you have been a driving force in preserving and promoting LGBTQ+ history and culture. Your involvement with Solar Nova Scotia and your contributions to alternative energy sources also reflect your dedication to creating a sustainable and inclusive future for all.

Your leadership and involvement in organizations like BluenoseBears, GaeGala, GayLine, MacLeather, SafeHarbourChurch, OverThirtiesGroup, and ElderBerries have left an indelible mark on the community. Not to mention your decade-long tenure on the board of Halifax Pride and your three-year chairmanship, which have been instrumental in shaping and strengthening the organization.

Your commitment to journalism as "the first rough draft of history" resonates deeply, and your ongoing projects, including the revival of WayvesMagazine and the creation of an archive for the LGBT Community in Nova Scotia, are a testament to your passion and dedication to preserving our collective history.

I want to specifically acknowledge and thank you for your involvement in various media interviews, where you passionately discussed the importance of queer spaces, oral histories, and the multitude of events planned for Pride 2023. Your efforts in raising awareness and advocating for inclusivity have undoubtedly had a profound impact on the entire community.

On behalf of those of us in LGBTQ+ community who believe Pride is a Celebration as well as an aide-memoire, I extend my heartfelt appreciation for your invaluable support and commitment after all, *"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."* GS. Your dedication to promoting understanding, fostering acceptance, and creating a more inclusive world has left an indelible mark on all of us.

Thank you once again, Dan, for your unwavering support, your countless hours of hard work, and your commitment to making Halifax Pride 2023 Week a tremendous success. The strides we've made would not have been possible without your involvement.

With sincere gratitude and warmest wishes,

Warm regards,

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