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Your Majesty,

On behalf of the Anglican Church of Canada I extend our deepest condolences on the death of your beloved husband and consort, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. As we remember the Prince we recall his many visits to Canada and his unwavering support of young people through the Duke of Edinburgh Awards. Most especially we remember his strong commitment to duty and service through his own military career and his unwavering support of you, his monarch and spouse, and his nation.

Your witness together, over seventy-four years, is a commendation of the mutual love and respect necessary to fulfil the vows of marriage. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers as you grieve his loss after so many years of mutual commitment and service, especially in this pandemic time of separation of family and friends.

Our sympathy and prayers are extended as well to the entire Royal family. The loss of such a beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather will be deeply felt.

May the faith that has so sustained you and Prince Philip in both personal and public challenges continue to be your guide and hope. In this Eastertide we remember that in life or in death nothing is stronger than the love of God through Christ our Lord.

Yours in Christ,

The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls, Archbishop and Primate