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Hon. John Milloy To Receive Catholic Board's Distinguished Graduate Award

Waterloo Region, ON – The Hon. John Milloy -- Ontario's Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities -- has been named recipient of the 2008 Waterloo Catholic District School Board *Distinguished Graduate Award*.

Dr. Milloy will accept the award on October 9, 2008 during *Resurrection Catholic Secondary School's* annual graduation ceremonies at the Centre in the Square. He is a graduate of *St. Patrick Catholic Elementary School* and the former *St. Jerome's High School* in Kitchener.

Previous award recipients include CTV National Affairs Correspondent *Lisa LaFlamme* (2007), University of Waterloo Professor *Dr. Brian Orend* (2006) and Superior Court Justice *Patrick J. Flynn* (2005).

The prestigious award was initiated by the Board of Trustees in 2005 to honour graduates of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to their faith and have made significant contributions to their community.

The Hon. John Milloy was first elected Member of Provincial Parliament for Kitchener Centre in 2003. He was re-elected in 2007 and appointed Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities on October 30, 2007.

From 1997 to 2002, he served as Legislative Assistant to Prime Minister Jean Chrétien.

Dr. Milloy holds a BA (Honours) in History from *Carleton University*, a Master's degree from the *London School of Economics* and a doctorate in Modern History from the *University of Oxford* where he was a Commonwealth Scholar. He is past Director of Public Affairs for the Centre for International Governance Innovation in Kitchener-Waterloo.

Dr. Milloy and his wife, physician Dr. Sara Pendergast, live in Kitchener's Stanley Park neighbourhood with their son, John Patrick.

The staff and students of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools proudly congratulate John for his many outstanding accomplishments and thank him for his continued and unwavering support for Catholic education.

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board, representing more than 100,000 Catholic school supporters, operates 52 schools and five adult education facilities serving more than 30,000 elementary, secondary and continuing education students in Waterloo Region – continuing a tradition of quality, inclusive, faith-based education first begun in 1836.

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