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P.A.C.E. Canada Celebrates 30th Anniversary Strawberry Social on Sunday, June 4th, 2017

Toronto, Canada – May 23, 2017 - P.A.C.E. Canada announced that its annual Strawberry Social is being held Under the Auspices of H.E. Janice Miller, High Commissioner for Jamaica to Canada, on June 4, 2017.

Senator The Hon Ruel Reid, CD, Minister of Education in Jamaica will be giving our keynote address. This will be followed by a scrumptious lunch and seriously great entertainment by DJ Eugene Chang; The Heritage Singers; and Karen Durrant (Tina Turner tribute) which will make for a beautiful afternoon.

P.A.C.E. will be introducing their new patron, as well as paying tribute to new Pacesetters and lifetime members.

A variety of merchandise will be available for purchase from a select group of vendors as well as the Silent Auction table. Guests will have an opportunity to purchase framed pieces of art created by the 3 to 5 year old children at the P.A.C.E. supported schools at the very affordable price of \$30.each.

The event takes place at the Delta Toronto East Hotel, 2035 Kennedy Road, Scarborough ON, M1T 3G2, starting at 11:30 A.M. with a *Meet and Greet*, with lunch at 12:30 P.M.

Quote from Sandra Whiting:

2017 is our 30th year and I am delighted that the organization is a vibrant one and we continue to “*Helping Young Children Succeed*”. The Strawberry Social is our major fundraising event for the year and it’s the time of year when we feel inspired by endless possibilities to pay tribute to those who led the way and who worked to get us to this milestone. I hope those attending will be inspired to join us by adopting a school; contributing towards a P.A.C.E. adopted school; and by becoming a member.

Every contribution of time talent and money makes a difference.

About P.A.C.E. Canada

Founded in 1987, P.A.C.E. Canada promotes early childhood education with a special focus on children of pre-school age (ages 3 to 5) in situations of racial, cultural or economic disadvantage. Our goal is to mobilize and support community-based efforts to help young children succeed.

A variety of programs have been implemented to achieve this community-based approach. D.R.B. Grant Scholarships are awarded to students at Teacher's Colleges in Jamaica. Bursaries are awarded to students in the Early Childhood Education (E.C.E.) program at George Brown College.

The group adopts Kindergarten Schools in Jamaica and Canada to provide funds for the purchase of school equipment and supplies, and kitchen supplies so students can have a hot meal each day. They fund the Music and Movement program at Sam Sharpe Teachers’ College in Montego Bay. In 2009, P.A.C.E. implemented their Tech de Bus initiative to teach children basic computer skills.

The organization maintains an active social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. The website is www.pacecanada.org

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