## **CLOSING CEREMONY**

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CHAIRMAN:
THE MEETING WILL COME TO ATTENTION.
THE BUSINESS OF THIS MEETING BEING CONCLUDED, LET US AS WE PART, REMEMBER OUR DUTY TO OUR BRANCH, OUR COMRADES, OUR COUNTRY AND OUR SOVEREIGN. MAY WE EVER STRIVE TO PROMOTE UNITY AND THE SPIRIT OF COMRADESHIP, NEVER FORGETTING THE SOLEMN OBLIGATIONS WE HAVE ASSUMED AS MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, AND REMEMBERING THEM – MAY WE EVERY PRAY:
ASSEMBLY:
LORD GOD OF HOSTS,
BE WITH US YET.
LEST WE FORGET,
LEST WE FORGET.

ALL SING:

**CHAIRMAN:** 

**GOD SAVE THE QUEEN** 

THIS MEETING IS NOW ADJOURNED

## **OPENING CEREMONY**

## **CHAIRMAN:**

THE MEETING WILL COME TO ORDER, PLEASE STAND.

We acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded land of the Sylix/Okanagan people who have resided here since time immemorial. We recognize, honour, and respect the Sylix/Okanagan lands upon which we live, work and play.

WE WILL NOW SING ONE VERSE OF O CANADA

BEFORE WE PRCEED TO THE CONSIDERATION OF THE BUSINESS WHICH HAS BROUGHT US TOGETHER, LET US PAUSE FOR A FEW MOMENTS TO THINK REVERENTLY OF THOSE WHO BY SEA, BY LAND AND IN THE AIR, LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES FOR THEIR SOVEREIGN AND COUNTRY. THEIR SACRIFICE WILL EVER INSPIRE US TO LABOUR ON, TO THE END THAT THOSE WHO SURVIVE AND NEED OUR AID MAY BE ASSURED OF ASSISTANCE, AND THAT THE COUNTRY IN WHICH WE LIVE AND FOR WHICH THEY DIED MAY EVER BE WORTHY OF THE SACRIFICE THEY MADE.

DURING THE SILENCE WE WILL REMEMBER OUR FALLEN COMRADES... AND THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED ON SINCE WE LAST GATHERED TOGETHER... (NAME ANY COMRADES WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY SINCE PREVIOUS MEETING)

---- SILENCE----

THEY SHALL GROW NOT OLD, AS WE THAT ARE LEFT GROW OLD;

AGE SHALL NOT WEARY THEM, NOR THE YEARS CONDEMN.

AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

(ASSEMBLY: WE WILL REMEMBER THEM)

## **CHAIRMAN:**

PLEASE BE SEATED... I NOW DECLARE THIS MEETING OPEN FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.