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Land of Orchards, Vineyards and Tides

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Grand Pré is a special place for many people for many reasons. Grand Pré is located in Kings County, in the heart of Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley. It is associated with and well known for the traditional agricultural practises carried out on the dykelands, the unique landscapes, the Land of Evangeline, and the history of and memorials to the Acadian peoples.

It is our shared legacy that makes Grand Pré worthy of protection and important to celebrate and share with the rest of the world. Inscription as a UNESCO World Heritage Site will provide recognition of its importance and as well ensure the protection and management of those elements which make Grand Pré not only unique and exceptional, but also important to the world.

On behalf of the people of Kings County, we are committed in our support of the nomination of Grand Pré as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We have worked in partnership with community and other organizations in contributing to the preparation of this dossier. We will continue to support the protection, preservation and promotion of this exceptional and unique place as it is of importance for present and future generations of all humanity.

The preparation of this submission has involved a great deal of cooperation and partnering with many organizations united by our common belief that Grand Pré is an exceptional place with outstanding universal value. The Municipality would like to thank the Grand Pré and Area Community Association, Grand Pré Marsh Body, Kings Regional Development Agency, Parks Canada Agency, the Province of Nova Scotia, Société Promotion Grand-Pré and the Société Nationale de l'Acadie for their contribution in preparing this document.

It is our hope that this nomination for inscription will be looked favourably upon by the World Heritage Committee.

Sincerely,

Diana Brothers Warden, Municipality of the County of Kings