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House of Commons' 2018 Poppy Fund Campaign

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Every year the House of Commons participates in the <u>Poppy Fund Campaign</u> organized by the Royal Canadian Legion. This year's campaign is starting today.

Wearing the poppy honours Canadians who made the ultimate sacrifice. It displays our respect for the men and women of the military, as well as our remembrance of those whose lives were lost in order to defend the freedoms that we enjoy today and that epitomize our nation.

To commemorate Remembrance Day, the Royal Canadian Legion, in partnership with Canadian Heritage, is continuing its special remembrance initiative with the Virtual Poppy Drop. Every evening from October 26 to November 10, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and on November 11 from 6:30 p.m. to midnight, a virtual display of falling poppies will be projected onto Centre Block, on Parliament Hill. Over the course of the virtual display, 117,000 poppies—one for each of Canada's fallen—will be projected.

This evening at 6:30 p.m., the Dominion Carillonneur will play "The Last Post" to mark the beginning of the campaign.

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