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## **NLTA Recognizes Passing of Paul Johnson**

St. John's, NL...With the passing of Paul Johnson, the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association has lost a great friend and supporter, and Newfoundland and Labrador has lost one of the greatest philanthropists the province has ever produced.

The NLTA has enjoyed a 51-year relationship with Paul Johnson that has had a positive impact on generations of teachers and their families. It was under Paul Johnson's leadership that, in 1964, Johnson Insurance Limited (now Johnson Inc.) partnered with the NLTA to establish a group insurance plan for teachers. Paul Johnson not only worked to build that business relationship but extolled the importance of teachers and the necessity of a strong public education system as a key to a bright future for the province and its children. For his outstanding contribution, in 2011 NLTA awarded Paul Johnson the Patricia Cowan Award for the Promotion and Support of Education.

It is with great sadness and utmost respect that the NLTA recognizes Paul Johnson's passing and extends condolences to his family and friends. He was a model of citizenship and his legacy will live on. The flag on the NLTA building will fly at half mast out of respect for Mr. Johnson.

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