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## Brandeis University Honourary Degree Recipients

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to this dinner celebrating this year's honourary degree recipients from Brandeis University.

As a teacher and Prime Minister of Canada, I know the value of an education characterized by an open dialogue and an atmosphere of inquisitiveness. Since its founding almost 70 years ago, Brandeis has built a reputation firmly based on these principles, as well as on its dedication to intellectual rigour and pursuit of excellence.

Today, we gather to honour five of Brandeis' newest honourary degree recipients, among whom I would like to draw special attention to Madame Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella of the Supreme Court of Canada, who delivered this year's commencement address. As an expert in human rights law, she has been party to a number of decisions and reports that have shaped our diverse society, a society based on equality and inclusivity.

Congratulations to the honourary degree recipients. Please accept my warmest welcome and best wishes for a memorable dinner.

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