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**THE CANADIAN TRANSLATORS, TERMINOLOGISTS AND INTERPRETERS
COUNCIL PRESENTS THE 2009 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD TO
ELIZABETH WARREN**

OTTAWA (ONTARIO) December 7, 2009 – During its Annual General Meeting, held in Vancouver on November 14-15, 2009, the CTTIC announced that Ms. Elizabeth Warren had been chosen as the recipient of its 2009 Volunteer of the Year award.



Living in Mississauga, Ontario, Elizabeth Warren is the former Treasurer of the Association of Translators and Interpreters of Saskatchewan (ATIS). Born in Ireland to deaf parents, Elizabeth's first language was British Sign Language. After moving to Canada with her family, she graduated from the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, and married a Canadian Armed Forces member, with whom she had two children and travelled all over Canada and overseas for a decade. The family later settled in Regina, Saskatchewan. In the following years, Elizabeth furthered her studies and received five different degrees or certifications in the area of visual language interpretation.

Elizabeth was a founding member and served on the board of the Association of Visual Language Interpreters of Canada (AVLIC), the Saskatchewan Association of Visual Language Interpreters (SAVLI) and the Saskatchewan Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (SDHHS). She was instrumental in AVLIC becoming a member organization of the CTTIC and in OTTIAQ's adoption of the LSQ French Test of Interpretation. She joined ATIS around 1985 and soon after took over the Treasurer portfolio, which she managed for some 18 years.

The members and the Executive of the ATIS enthusiastically supported Elizabeth's candidacy for the 2009 Volunteer of the Year award.

The Canadian Translators, Terminologists and Interpreters Council brings together the organizations responsible for certifying professional translators, terminologists and interpreters in the provinces and territories. It coordinates the actions of its member organizations and promotes cooperation among them, to ensure uniformity in professional standards, and it conducts relations with national and international bodies representing language specialists. Through its member organizations, CTTIC seeks to promote professional certification as a guarantee of quality and competence, thereby contributing to the advancement of the profession and the protection of the public.

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