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MEDIA ADVISORY

Community leaders “Switch chairs for a day” in support of CPA and Calgary Health Trust

CALGARY – Community leaders are taking the wheel May 2, 2014 at the fourth annual Chair-Leaders Enabling Access Event in support of the Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta) and Calgary Health Trust. Opting to take a seat in a wheelchair rather than a desk chair, the event will help participants gain first-hand experience about the accessibility and mobility obstacles those with disabilities face on a daily basis.

Participants will go through their entire day in a wheelchair. The event will begin with an introduction of some of the most common challenges through an obstacle course at Mount Royal University at 8:30 a.m. before all participants are loaded onto Handi-Buses to be shuttled off to their workplace for the day.

Media are invited to the opening event at Mount Royal University and will also have an opportunity to conduct interviews on May 2, 2014.

WHEN: Friday, May 2, 2014

TIME: 8:30 a.m. Obstacle Course

WHERE: Mount Royal University – The Hub

ADDRESS: 4825 Mount Royal Gate SW

INTERVIEW AND PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:

- Valerie Ball, Communications Manager, Calgary Health Trust
- Cal Schuler, Canadian Paraplegic Association
- Kent Hehr, MLA
- Evan Wooley – Councilor Ward 8

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Calgary Health Trust connects donor passions with health care needs. Together we are touching lives in our community every day by raising funds for enhanced technology, programs and services at the Foothills Medical Centre, Peter Lougheed Centre, Rockyview General Hospital, Women’s Health, Carewest continuing care centres and

other community health programs and facilities. For information on Calgary Health Trust, visit www.calgaryhealthtrust.ca.

The Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta) was founded in 1961. Since then, it has been a leader in offering support, direct service, information and advocacy to Albertans with spinal cord injuries and other physical disabilities. Whether it be assisting a newly spinal cord injured child or adult, lobbying for better public transportation, or helping to create a more inclusive community, CPA (Alberta) embraces the approach that there is more than one way. For more information, visit www.cpa-ab.org.

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