

COMBINATION OF INGREDIENTS THAT GIVE US AS CANADIANS A BETTER WAY OF LIFE. NOT BETTER BY COMPARISON WITH OTHER PEOPLE IN OTHER LANDS, ALTHOUGH MOST ARE ENVIOUS OF OUR GOOD FORTUNE. BUT, BETTER IN THE SENSE THAT THESE SCORES OF ELEMENTS, FROM CLIMATE TO NATURAL WEALTH, FROM MAJESTIC SCENERY AND VAST OPEN SPACES TO CLEANER, MORE WELL-ORDERED CITIES AND COMFORTABLE, RELAXED SMALL TOWNS AND VILLAGES, FROM OUR PROUD BEGINNINGS AND OUR NATIVE PEOPLES TO OUR PRESENT EXCITING MIXTURE OF RACES AND CULTURES - ALL OF THESE AND SO MANY MORE HAVE BOTH SHAPED AND RESPONDED TO OUR SPECIAL ASPIRATIONS AS A UNIQUE PEOPLE - CANADIANS - AND HAVE CONTRIVED, OFTEN WITHOUT OUR HELP, TO ADD JOY FOR OUR LIVES, REWARDS FOR OUR LABOURS AND BOUNDLESS HOPE FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL AND COMMON FUTURES.

TRULY, WE ARE THE MOST FORTUNATE COUNTRY ON EARTH.
I HAVE NO DOUBT WE WILL KEEP IT THAT WAY.