

Biographical Sketch of
His Excellency the Governor General of Canada (cont'd.)

On 8 June 1969 he was chosen Leader of the New Democratic Party in Manitoba. Three days later he resigned his seat in the House of Commons. In the provincial general election of 25 June he was returned as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Rossmere and became Premier of Manitoba. In the general election of 1973 he was re-elected and commenced a second term as Premier. Though he was re-elected M.L.A. in the general election of 1977, his party lost and he became Leader of the Opposition in the Manitoba Legislature.

Throughout his tenure as Premier of Manitoba, Mr. Schreyer held the portfolio of Minister of Dominion-Provincial Relations. He also served as Minister of Finance from 1972 to 1976 and as Minister charged with the administration of the Hydro Act from 1971 to 1977.

In 1975 he was given the Vanier Award as an outstanding Young Canadian of that year. He has been a member of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and the Inter-parliamentary Union.

On 30 June 1960 he married Lily, daughter of Jacob Schulz who was at one time a Member of Parliament for Springfield, Manitoba. The Schreyers have four children: Lisa, Karmel, Jason and Toban.

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