



# NATIONAL DAY OF CZECH STATEHOOD

## Flag Raising Ceremony

September 28, 2012

*On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to the Czech Canadian community of Ontario and to everyone attending this flag raising ceremony marking the National Day of Czech Statehood.*

*The Czech Republic and Canada share many common values — among them a steadfast commitment to our democratic institutions. I am honoured to join the members of the Czech Canadian community as you celebrate your proud history and heritage.*

*I wish to take this opportunity to recognize the many contributions of Ontario's Czech Canadians. In every field, and in every walk of life, you have made your mark — and helped shape the dynamic multicultural character of the province we call home.*

*Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable day.*

**Dalton McGuinty**  
Premier