



AMYOY TROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF CANADA  
SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE LA SCLÉROSE LATÉRALE AMYOTROPHIQUE

June 26, 2015

**RCMP Pipe Band**

Dear Gilbert,

**RE: 2015 Ottawa-Gatineau Walk for ALS – June 13, 2015**

I would like to sincerely thank you and the RCMP Pipe Band for performing at the 2015 Ottawa-Gatineau Walk for ALS. The pipers provide a majestic and powerful start to our walk and we have been blessed to have them perform over the years. We were fortunate to have a beautiful sunny morning in June, and over an estimated 1,200 walkers came out to support the ALS community. They have currently raised over \$227,000. We have already well exceeded our goal of \$210,000. We are very grateful for the community support we have in this region.

The walks across Ontario are our primary source of fund raising throughout the year. Funds are raised to support our client services, including a medical equipment loan program as well as funding much needed research studies to make ALS a treatable not terminal illness.

It is difficult to put into words the importance of receiving donations as well as creating awareness of this devastating disease and the impact both have on our ability to meet the needs of ALS clients across the province. ALS Canada provides independence, dignity and choice for those living with ALS through the caring financial support of individuals and organizations.

ALS Canada supports 1,000 clients across Ontario, many of whom require 100% subsidy for their equipment needs. People with ALS require a large amount of equipment over a relatively short time period. The availability of appropriate equipment and assistive devices is essential for maintaining the safety, comfort and independence of the person living with ALS. It is a startling fact that, over the course of our client's life, they require access to \$150,000 in equipment. Funds raised at the walks across Ontario also support our ongoing research studies. Your contribution assists us in helping families in need.

Until a cure is found, our vision is a world where persons living with ALS live with dignity and choice.

We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support. If you ever have any questions regarding how we support our ALS clients, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your support for our walk is greatly appreciated

Sincerely,

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