PALLISER AT SIXTY YEARS - A TIME TO GIVE THANKS - 2004

The writer of Ecclesiastes reminds us

"There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under Heaven."

60 years is a long time. It is more than our full careers and spans the efforts of multiple generations. When an enterprise survives, grows and prospers for 60 years it is a "Time to give Thanks, a time to remember and a time to Reflect." We give thanks to God for the creative people of Palliser, for the free country in which we were blessed to be located, for the protection from all of the possible tragedies.

A time to honor....

My father and our founder who worked against great odds to establish an enduring enterprise based on solid values.

A time to appreciate.....

The blessing of living in a free and democratic country that is blind to color, race, creed and the other vagaries of birth.

A time to reflect.....

That we do not succeed only by our own power. We have a Creator who has given us skills and opportunity.

A time to remember.....

The big fire, the recessions, the many difficult moments during 60 years and the people who created, built or endured.

A time to value....

The retailers and consumers without whom we cannot exist for a moment.

A time for humility.....

That we succeeded where many other good people did not.

A time to create

We cannot live on the laurels of the past but must always create the new, the exciting, the innovative for the next generation of consumers.

A time to build.....

Because we can never stop building.

A time to grow.....

In terms of product, factories, ideas and markets - but also in terms of the values and strength of our Palliser community.

A time to encourage.....

Those who suffer personal or career setbacks and need our support.

A time to include.....

The members of the Palliser family who come from over 60 countries from around the world - many seeking to find a place of Peace.

A time to pray.....

That God will continue to bless and protect.