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Ruthe Penner 1935 Rothesay Ave Winnipeg, MB R2G 2E4

Dear Ruthe,

Enclosed is the Private Member's Statement which was read in the legislature on June 8, 2011.

Congratulations on being chosen as the 2010 recipient of the Manitoba Distinguished Realtor Award and thank you for all you do for not only our community but the people of Manitoba.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Mitchelson, MLA River East Constituency

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Wednesday, June 8, 2011

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Ruthe Penner

Mrs. Bonnie Mitchelson (River East): Mr. Speaker, and I stand today to congratulate Ruthe Penner, a member of my constituency whose dedication to her profession and her community has made others stand up and take notice.

Ruthe Penner is the 2010 recipient of the Manitoba Real Estate Association's Distinguished Realtor Award. The award recognizes individuals who have given of themselves, not only to real estate, but to the community in which they live. Ms. Penner was presented with the award from the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Ruthe Penner has been an active member of the real estate industry since 1987. Ruthe and her husband, Wayne Penner, are owners of REW Resources Incorporated, a specialized real estate and marketing consulting service.

Over the past 20 years, Ruthe Penner has helped countless businesses, families and individuals find homes, buildings and land in Winnipeg. She's been involved in the resale market, in project selling, in the new home market and condominium developments in the completion stages, and she has survived the ups and downs of the Winnipeg housing market.

She has served as a director on the board of the WinnipegREALTORS association since 1992. Ms. Penner has chaired many committees at the community board level and served as president of MREA in 2009 and president of the WinnipegREALTORS in 2005.

Ruthe Penner is a hard-working individual in and out of the real estate community. Currently, she serves on the board of governors for the MREA Shelter Foundation. For the third year in a row, she has played a leadership role in sponsoring the third annual garage sale on Henderson Highway for Osborne House.

Ruthe Penner has also worked with Habitat for Humanity on a number of Winnipeg building projects and has donated time and fees by selling IDEA House at the Winnipeg Home Expressions show with all proceeds going to support Habitat housing builds.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Ruthe Penner for her volunteer contributions to our community and to the larger Winnipeg real estate community. Her dedication has made a positive impression on those around her, and I ask all members of the Legislature to congratulate and thank Ruthe Penner. Thank you.