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# Martin T. Hanly & the Jasper Haws

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Dear Mr. Vellacott:

On behalf of: the Descendants of Jasper Haws, the Saskatchewan Branch of the United Empire Loyalists of Canada and the Chateauguay Valley Historical Society, I thank you most sincerely for your facilitation in bringing the Jasper Haws Story into the public domain.

September 14, 2007 marked the Centennial Ceremony for Jasper National Park. The organizations stated above worked collaboratively on research projects to bring the Jasper Haws story to Canadians in time for the Centennial Ceremony. Canada has honoured Jasper Haws by giving his name to: a National Historic Site, a National Park, a Town and Edmonton's main thoroughfare "Jasper Avenue."

Despite Jasper Haw's obvious significance to Canadian history and heritage, no one ever bothered to find out whom Jasper Haws was so that his story could be preserved and shared with all Canadians, that is until my family undertook a major research project. When we finally did succeed in uncovering his story, our attempts to get the Government to produce a short publication about Jasper Haws for the Jasper National Park Centennial were repeatedly rejected until you advocated on our behalf. Thank you, Sir. Please see the enclosed photos of the Jasper Centennial, including of the Honourable John Baird, Minister of the Environment and Parks, The Jasper Haws Descendants, etc. The following website address will bring you to the online version of the Jasper Haws Brochure [http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/ab/jasper/visit/visit70\\_e.asp](http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/ab/jasper/visit/visit70_e.asp).

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

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