



THE HONOURABLE YONAH MARTIN



Senator's Message

As a Senator of Canada and BC resident, I would like to express my heartfelt thoughts to my fellow British Columbians who have been affected by the recent devastating floods; and to thank all those who have stepped up to help neighbours, our communities, and those hit hardest by the floods. In November, I took part in two No Stone Left Alone ceremonies; and commemorated Veterans Week, which included Aboriginal Veterans Day and Remembrance Day, to honour the service and sacrifice of our brave Canadians in past wars, conflicts and peacekeeping duties. We also celebrated National Child's Day on November 20th, a day to celebrate the rights of children and the importance of protecting those rights; and commemorated the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Hill 355 (see

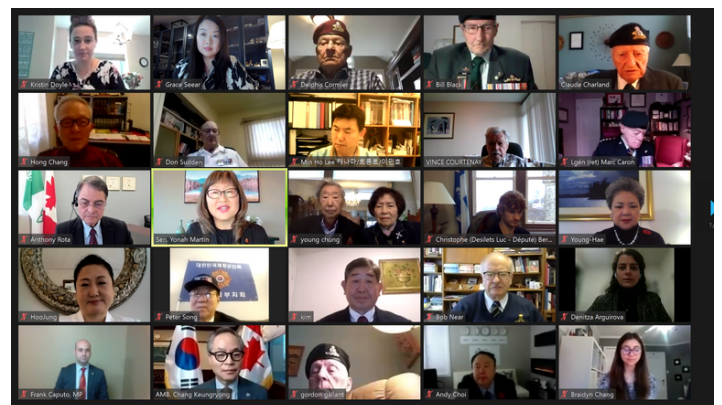
feature in this issue). As the first fall sitting of the 44th parliamentary session progresses, we anticipate debating various pieces of legislation and motions of importance. The Advent Season began on November 28, and as we look ahead with hope to celebrating the true meaning of Christmas later this month, my staff and I wish you and yours a peaceful holiday and good health and prosperity in the year ahead. Merry Christmas! Joyeux Noël!

~Senator Yonah Martin

Battle of Hill 355

Senator Martin, as Honorary Grand Patron of the Korea War Veterans of Canada, hosted a virtual commemoration to mark the historic 70th anniversary of the Battle of Hill 355 (November 1951), during the Korean War. More than 26,000 Canadians served in the cause of peace and freedom during the Korean War (June 25, 1950-July 27, 1953) and more than 7,000 in peacekeeping duties (until Sept. 1955). From November 22-25, 1951, the Royal 22nd Regiment (nicknamed the "Van Doos") held their ground to defend Hill 355. They succeeded but it came at a cost: 16 Van Doos were killed, 44 wounded and three were taken prisoner. We will remember them. Nous nous souviendrons d'eux.

[Link to Full Gallery.](#)



**70e anniversaire de
la bataille de la côte 355**
(Novembre 1951)
70th Anniversary of the Battle of Hill 355
Commemoration
(November 1951)

- Hymnes / Anthems
- Acte du Souvenir / Act of Remembrance
- Dernière sonnerie / Last Post
- Minute de Silence / Moment of Silence
- Reveiller / Rouse
- Promesse de se souvenir / Commitment to Remember






Special Events & Meetings

Senator Martin had a busy November filled with productive meetings, engaging events and meaningful commemorative ceremonies. Senator Martin welcomed Chairman Sung-Kon Kim of the Overseas Koreans Foundation (OKF) to Vancouver for his first official visit on Thursday, November 11, 2021. Chairman Kim attended the Remembrance Day wreath-laying ceremony at the Ambassador of Peace Korean War Memorial located in Burnaby's Central Park and attended a dinner with members of OKPC (chaired by Sen. Martin) hosted by Consul General Chung. Among many other special events, Senator Martin officially welcomed the ROK Navy to Victoria, BC and addressed the official Cruise Training Task Group on behalf of the Senate of Canada.

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Merry Christmas

