



Notley disagrees with University of Alberta honorary degree for David Suzuki

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Alberta Premier Rachel Notley speaks during a news conference on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on April 15, 2018.

Premier Rachel Notley says she does not agree with the University of Alberta's decision to grant an honorary degree to high-profile oil sands critic David Suzuki.

But she says the university is built on academic freedom and independence, and that must be respected.

"I'm not a big fan of this decision," Ms. Notley said on Wednesday, adding she attended the university. "If I'd been on the [university] senate, I wouldn't personally have voted for it.

"It struck me as being a bit tone deaf, but academic independence, university independence is important. So they have made that decision, they will defend that decision and that's the way it should work."

Mr. Suzuki is to receive an honorary science degree on June 7, but the award has prompted a flood of complaints, along with critical public letters from the university's deans of business and engineering.

One Calgary law firm announced it was cancelling its annual \$100,000 funding commitment to the university's law school.

Mr. Suzuki, a long-time environmentalist and host of The Nature of Things television show, has called for Alberta's oil sands to be shut down. He has not responded publicly to the controversy. His foundation has said the honorary degree is not a blind endorsement of all Mr. Suzuki's beliefs, but rather a tribute to his lifetime of work.

Ms. Notley avoided criticizing Mr. Suzuki directly, but said her government's efforts to find a middle ground between economic progress and environmental sustainability are undermined when the debate becomes extreme.

"As long as you allow that debate to be polarized, you ensure the failure of both objectives," she said.

The Opposition United Conservative Leader Jason Kenney said the university should not honour Suzuki, "a man who makes millions off of defaming the livelihood of hundreds of thousands of Albertans."

Mr. Kenney's party has launched a petition to urge the honorary degree not be granted.

But university president David Turpin said this week the school stands by the decision, noting that knowledge and progress are built on the free exchange of ideas, no matter how uncomfortable some of them may be.

“Many alumni, donors, and friends have asked me to reverse the decision. They have let me know that their financial gifts and partnerships with the university depend on it,” Mr. Turpin wrote in the letter. “Universities must not be afraid of controversy. Instead, we must be its champion.

“Take uncomfortable ideas, debate, and conflict out of the university and its fundamental role in society disappears.”

The debate over the degree is set against the backdrop of Alberta fighting to get more of its oil to market, arguing that lack of market access and pipeline bottlenecks are costing Canada \$40-million a day.

Alberta is pinning its hopes on an expansion of the Trans Mountain pipeline to take more oil from Edmonton to the British Columbia Coast.

The \$7.4-billion project was given the green light in 2016 by the federal government but the operator, Kinder Morgan, says it is reconsidering given opposition in B.C.

The line, which would triple the amount of oil heading to tankers on B.C. Coast, has faced court challenges and permit delays. The B.C. government says it is concerned about the environmental consequences of the expansion on its coastline and inland waterways.

NORAHG Response

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH BETRAYED ITS FORMER STUDENTS BY HONOURING DAVID SUZUKI !

David Suzuki has **also** been honoured by University of Guelph (U of G), which is located in the province of Ontario ! Really !?! Suzuki was awarded his honorary degree in 2012.

Officials at U of G had conveniently forgotten about Suzuki’s conspiracy in Ontario, which inflicted prohibition against pest control products used in the urban landscape. This destroyed the professional lawn care industry and the livelihoods of the U of G’s former students. Nonetheless, Suzuki was rewarded with an honorary degree by U of G.

Perhaps in 2012, U of G officials did not fully understand that David Suzuki operates a foundation that is an anti-pesticide, golf-hating, & environmental-terrorist organization that conspires to impose reckless and arbitrary

prohibition against pest control products across the nation. David Suzuki Foundation has represented a direct destructive threat against former U of G students.

David Suzuki himself was honoured three years after he conspired with the government of Ontario to impose prohibition. Because of Suzuki's interference in Ontario, thousands of decent, hard-working, and law-abiding people, including former U of G students, have lost their jobs and have suffered hardship because of disintegrating customers and plummeting revenues in the professional lawn care industry.

Observers have plenty of questions. Does David Suzuki and the government of Ontario have some kind of a secret agreement?!?! YES ! It is now common knowledge that David Suzuki DID have a secret agreement with Premier Dalton McGuinty about promoting the government's politicized-doctrines in Ontario. It is a fact that McGuinty used The Ontario Trillium Foundation, an Ontario government agency, to finance anti-pesticide & environmental-terrorist organizations, like David Suzuki Foundation. In return, these organization supported the conspiracy to prohibit against pest control products in Ontario, as well as other environmental issues. It is a fact that, in 2010, David Suzuki Foundation was rewarded for its political interference. Suzuki received up to 250,000 dollars from McGuinty through The Ontario Trillium Foundation. Overall, through The Ontario Trillium Foundation, McGuinty paid out over 2,000,000 dollars towards the subversive anti-pesticide conspiracy of prohibition. As a result of his political interference in the Ontario 2011 General Election, David Suzuki was quietly forced to step down from the board of directors of David Suzuki Foundation. But, David Suzuki still got his honorary degree from the University of Guelph in 2012. Why do we celebrate this guy?!?! We need a better Suzuki who WILL NOT victimize decent hard-working people !

Observers have plenty more questions. Is there enough separation between environmental-terrorists, like Suzuki, and government officials in Ontario?!?! Is there enough separation between environmental-terrorists and University of Guelph?!?! How much money has U of G given to David Suzuki?!?! Why didn't U of G defend its former students during the debate regarding prohibition?!?! Why did U of G honour the enviro-terrorist who destroyed the livelihoods of its former students?!?! Why did U of G betray its former students?!?! Is U of G planning to stop honouring enviro-terrorists who destroy the businesses of its alumni?!?! Do the businesses operating in the professional lawn care industry believe that they have been badly-treated by U of G?!?! Should they forgive U of G for honouring Suzuki?!?! Or, should they conclude that U of G deserves no alumni-donations since it disrespects its former students and loathes their

businesses !?! We need a better University of Guelph ! We need a better Suzuki !

For more information, please explore the following links ...

✓ -- Suzuki -- Betrayals By University Of Guelph -- **BLOG**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2017/06/26/guelph-turfgrass-institute-why-would-anyone-be-witless-enough-to-give-more-more-money-to-an-institution-with-a-history-of-repeated-failures-betrayals-bad-services-2017-0/>

✓ -- Suzuki -- Honoured By University Of Guelph -- **REFERENCE**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Reference-Suzuki-2012-06-14-%E2%80%98You-give-me-hope%E2%80%99-David-Suzuki-tells-University-of-Guelph-graduates.pdf>

✓ -- Suzuki -- Political Interference In Ontario -- **REPORT**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/Force-Of-Nature-David-Suzuki-2011-09-20-2011-Ontario-Vote-David-Suzuki-Political-Interference-Trillium-pdf.pdf>

✓ -- Suzuki -- Why Do We Celebrate This Guy !?! -- **BLOG**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2017/09/19/newsletter-2017-09-20/>

✓ -- Suzuki -- The Ontario Trillium Foundation -- **WEB-PAGE**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/the-ontario-trillium-foundation/>

✓ -- Suzuki -- Carnage In Ontario Inflicted By Prohibition -- **REPORT**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/Force-Of-Nature-CARNAGE-2011-08-17-Ontario-Two-Years-After-Pesticide-Ban-Landscape-Ontario-pdf.pdf>

✓ -- Suzuki -- Living In Environmental Infamy In Ontario -- **WEB-PAGE**

<http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/ontario-living-in-environmental-infamy/>

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expertise, training, and background in matters concerning pest control products, and who promote environmental realism and pesticide truths.

We dare to defy the pesticide-hating fanatics, like David Suzuki, by exploring the whole truth from an independent perspective on The Pesticide Truths Web-Site ... <http://pesticidetruths.com/> WILLIAM H GATHERCOLE
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