

Hon. Geoff Regan

Member of Parliament
Halifax West



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St. Mary's University Hack-a-Week
c/o Dr. Pawan Lingras
Saint Mary's University Department of Math and Computer Science
923 Robie Street
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Dear Dr. Lingras:

I would like to congratulate Saint Mary's University on organizing the Hack-a-Week event. This event will give young developers valuable experience that will lead to opportunities in the digital economy.

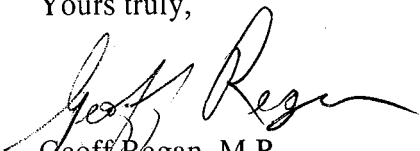
Young Nova Scotians have been incredibly successful in app development, even starting their own businesses. The inclusion of high school students from across the province will, I am sure, provide perspective and unique educational opportunities.

With eight Atlantic Championships and four runner-up finishes, Nova Scotians continue to lead in information technology (IT). I was pleased to learn that many local IT companies have also benefited from this event.

I believe participation in your program is giving young Nova Scotians the confidence to pursue their ideas, and the education and support to achieve their goals. The practical opportunities and connections made here will, in the future, provide a variety of opportunities to build successful careers.

I am pleased to support the Hack-a-Week activities and I wish you continued success.

Yours truly,



Geoff Regan, M.P.
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