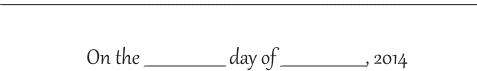


## **Balanced Budget and Debt-Free Alberta Pledge**

Alberta's debt stands at \$10 billion and will grow to \$21 billion by 2016-17. The province has spent most of the Sustainability Fund and is on track to increase the debt by another \$4.7 billion this year alone.



Pledge that if elected, 1 shall:

- 1. Return Alberta to straightforward and honest, consolidated budget reporting that represents the balance of total expenditures and total revenues:
- 2. Stop the Debt Clock and the practice of debt financing outside of emergencies; and
- Once the budget is balanced, legislate a debt-retirement schedule, or direct a dedicated portion of annual surpluses towards elimi-3. nating the debt to zero.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

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