



## **Media Alert: Ottawa Wolves RFC To Host 2020 Bingham Cup Rugby Tournament**

Media are invited to join Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Catherine McKenna and Rugby Canada Chairman Tim Powers as they announce that the Ottawa Wolves RFC will host the 2020 Bingham Cup, the world's largest amateur rugby tournament.

The Ottawa Wolves RFC are the first Canadian inclusive rugby club to host the Bingham Cup and follow other inclusive rugby clubs that have successfully held the biennial tournament in cities such as London, United Kingdom; New York, U.S.A; Dublin, Ireland; Sydney, Australia; and Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

Named in memory of Mark Kendall Bingham, a former University of California, Berkeley rugby star who died in the September 11, 2001 attacks onboard United Airlines Flight 93, the Bingham Cup is a rugby union tournament that promotes inclusivity, equality and competition. Known as the world cup of gay rugby and first held in 2002, the Bingham Cup is today the largest amateur rugby union tournament in the world. The 2018 tournament in Amsterdam had more than 2,300 registered participants from 63 countries.

**What:** Official announcement that the Ottawa Wolves RFC will host the 2020 Bingham Cup rugby tournament

**Where:** The University of Ottawa, Desmarais Hall, Suite 12102

**When:** October 4, 2018 at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST)

### **Notable Participants:**

- His Worship Jim Watson, Mayor of Ottawa
- Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Environment and Climate Change
- Mr. Tim Powers, Chairman of Rugby Canada
- Jean-François Laberge, President of the Ottawa Wolves RFC's Bingham Cup Ottawa 2020 Bid Committee

Doors open to the press for set-up at 9 a.m. A question and answer session and photo opportunities will follow the speeches. Complete press packets are available onsite. Members of the women's and men's teams of Ottawa Wolves RFC will be in attendance in their rugby uniforms.

Please RSVP or direct questions to Jean-François Laberge at 613-236-9442 or [jlaberge@lrmlawyers.com](mailto:jlaberge@lrmlawyers.com)