



June 11, 2024

Andrew Douglas Alexander Thomas Bruce, 11th Earl of Elgin and 15th Earl of Kincardine
c/o Broomhall House

Dear Lord Elgin,

On the momentous occasion of your 100th birthday and the 80th anniversary of the Allied landing at Normandy, I extend my warmest greetings to you. Your unwavering service in preserving the freedoms we cherish today is truly commendable and serves as an inspiration to us all.

I am delighted to inform you that your enduring connection to both the County of Elgin and the 31 Combat Engineer Regiment ('The Elgins') is meticulously preserved within the County's Archives. As a part of our collection that commemorates your profound ties to our County, I am thrilled to share with you a video that has been carefully preserved and is now accessible to researchers worldwide. This video captures the moment when you graciously honoured us with your presence to accept the "Freedom of the County," a prestigious recognition bestowed upon the Regiment by the Elgin County Council in 2008.

Your legacy and contributions to our community are truly remarkable, and we are immensely grateful for your continued dedication and service. May this milestone birthday be filled with joy, reflection, and the appreciation of all that you have accomplished throughout your remarkable life.

With heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion.

Yours truly,

Warden Ed Ketchabaw

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