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Mr. Ménard is currently a director of WestJet, Claridge Inc., Stingray Digital, Léger Marketing, the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, the Montreal Alouettes, the Institute for Research on Public Policy, the Trudeau Foundation, the Gairdner Foundation, the Macdonald Stewart Foundation, the Mobilys Foundation and the Junior Achievement Canada Foundation. He is also Chairman of Youth Fusion.

He is Chancellor of Concordia University, his alma mater, and is a member of the Task Force on Competitiveness, Productivity and Economic Progress of the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto.

Mr. Ménard is a past Chairman of Hydro-Québec, the Investment Dealers Association of Canada and the Task Force on the Sustainability of the Québec Health Care and Social Services System. He published his first book in 2008, “Si on s’y mettait...” and in the wake of this book, he established the *Groupe d’action sur la persévérance et la réussite scolaires*. Mr. Ménard subsequently published a book on the topic of high school perseverance, “Beyond the Numbers... a Matter of the Heart” as well as the book “Réussir: Aller au bout de ses rêves”.

He also served as Vice-Chair of the Canadian Task Force on Financial Literacy that presented its report “Canadians and Their Money: Building a brighter future” to the Federal Minister of Finance in December 2010.

In 2009, Mr. Ménard received the Public Policy Forum Testimonial Award and was recognized as a Great Montrealer by the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Montreal. In 2012, he received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and the Medal of Honour from the Montreal Heart Institute for his philanthropic involvement and support.

In December 2012, he was promoted to Companion of the Order of Canada, the highest level of the Order of Canada and this country’s highest public distinction. He is also an Officer of the Order of Québec.

Mr. Ménard is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario (M.B.A. 1970), Loyola College of Montréal (B. Comm. Hon. Econ. 1967) and College Ste-Marie (B.A. 1966). He has received honorary doctorates from York University and Glendon College, Concordia University, the Université de Montréal and from the Université de Sherbrooke.

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