## AECEA Association of Early Childhood Educators of Alberta

## **AECEA Sherrill Brown Award of Distinction 2022**

The Association of Early Childhood Educators of Alberta (AECEA) is a member-based non-profit society that advocates for a well-educated, well-supported, and well-remunerated early learning and child care workforce.

AECEA recognizes that professional early childhood educators are the foundation of a well-functioning, high-quality early learning and child care system.

Each year AECEA presents the Dr. Sherrill Brown award of distinction to an individual who is recognized as a leader, a person who inspires others in their day-to-day work with children and families and takes those stories from the field to the greater community. Dr. Sherrill Brown urged all of us to have a 'voice' and to bring our collective vision forward to create a "Canada fit for children, and an Alberta fit for children!

Margaret Golberg is the 2022 recipient of this award and exemplifies the commitment to children, families, educators and the child care profession that Sherrill deeply valued. She demonstrates true concern for children and families and a commitment to advancing the Early Learning and Child Care workforce through her advocacy work and regional involvement for more than 35 years.

Margaret has been described as a "powerful force in Alberta's Early Learning and Child Care Community." Her commitment is demonstrated through her research and advocacy roles. She was instrumental in establishing the growth of the Alberta Child Care Association (currently known as the Association for Early Childhood Educators of Alberta). She had a long career supporting children and families including her role as the Executive Director with Community Options. Margaret also contributes by serving on numerous committees and boards, past, present, and future.

Margaret stands out as a true leader in Alberta and Sherrill would be very pleased with Margaret's accomplishments.

My sincere congratulations on behalf of the AECEA board members,

Marilyn Armstrong