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THE CREDIT VALLEY HOSPITAL

***DAME EDNA TO VISIT CVH PAEDIATRIC UNIT
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For Immediate Release (Mississauga, Ontario) She's outrageous and outspoken...and she wants to visit a "famous hospital". So Dame Edna, the mauve-headed, rhinestone-goggled entertainer, currently featured at Toronto's Pantages Theatre, will be visiting The Credit Valley Hospital in Mississauga, tomorrow, Tuesday, December 12, 2000 between 1:15 and 1:45 p.m.

The visit was prompted by a letter of invitation from the hospital's Chairman of the Board, Jane Watson who explained that the hospital has just celebrated its 15th birthday and in its short history, has won many accolades for its excellence in patient care. Ms. Watson also said the hospital was about to undergo a significant expansion project to house its new regional cancer and maternal/child programs. The expansion will allow patients and their families to receive a higher level of care closer to home.

Although the new facilities aren't built yet, the hospital is already treating paediatric oncology patients. One parent recently told the hospital that she and her child were "treated like royalty." Dame Edna is no stranger to royal treatment either as a favorite entertainer of the British monarchy.

Dame Edna's visit to Credit Valley was confirmed after the hospital sent a gift of a bedpan with a note explaining that "sometimes, the patients just can't wait!"

She will tour the hospital's paediatrics unit and spend a few minutes exercising to maintain her "girlish" figure, on one of the hospital's rehabilitation exercise bicycles.

Credit Valley Hospital is located at the corner of Erin Mills Parkway and Eglinton Avenue West in Mississauga.

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