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Dear Neighbours,

Our Government began the 44th Parliament with an ambitious agenda, and we were able to pass several key pieces of legislation before the House adjourned for the Holiday Season. We have much more work to do to finish the fight against COVID-19, build a more equitable and sustainable economy for all Canadians, and to protect our environment for generations to come, so I am pleased to be back in Parliament working on your behalf. Here is a look at some of the things we have accomplished so far in the 44th Parliament.

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More Targeted COVID-19 Programs and Benefits

Our government's first act was to significantly reduce and narrow the supports for COVID-19, recognizing that some of the broad support programs that had been offered were no longer justified. More targeted programs and benefits to support Canadian workers and businesses in the hospitality and tourism industry as well as those who were experiencing lockdowns were proposed, debated and passed as part of Bill C-2, which made the following programs available:

- **Canada Worker Lockdown Benefit** provides \$300/week to eligible workers who are directly impacted by a public health lockdown in their region until May 7, 2022.
- **Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit** was increased from 42 to 44 weeks and the **Sickness Benefit** was increased from 4 to 6 weeks.
- **Hardest-Hit Business Recovery Program**, providing support through wage and rent subsidies to businesses in the hospitality and tourism industry that have faced deep losses, with a subsidy of up to 50 per cent.
- **Canada Recovery Hiring Program** was also extended until May 7, 2022, for eligible employers with revenue losses above 10 per cent, and we increased the subsidy rate up to 50 per cent. This extension will help businesses create the additional jobs Canada needs for a robust recovery.



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Banning the harmful practice of conversion therapy

Our Government quickly tabled Bill C-4 when the House returned in November. Bill C-4, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, was passed unanimously in the House on December 8th, 2021, and

criminalized the harmful practice of conversion therapy, a process by which an attempt is made to change a person's sexual orientation. This has long been viewed by the LGBTQ2S+ community—as well as scientific and medical experts—as being extremely damaging to those who have been forced or coerced into such activities. The consensus demonstrated by

Parliamentarians in Canada is part of an emerging global consensus surrounding the real and life-long harms experienced by conversion therapy victims and survivors.

Canada's criminal laws on conversion therapy are now thankfully among the most comprehensive in the world.

Protecting health care workers and patients

Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have seen disturbing accounts of healthcare workers and patients being harassed, assaulted, and blocked from entering their workplaces or places where they receive healthcare services. **To protect our healthcare workers, our Government introduced Bill C-3 to make it a criminal offence to intimidate and harass healthcare workers and impede that person's ability to perform their duties.**

Our Government also created a second criminal offence for obstructing or interfering with a person's lawful access to a place at which health services are provided by a health professional. Our healthcare workers have worked incredibly hard throughout this pandemic and our government strongly believes that we need to do everything we can to keep them safe. **Bill C-3 also made important changes to the Canada Labour Code and provides up to ten days of paid sick leave to all federally regulated private sector employees under the *Canada Labour Code*.**



Progress on Reconciliation

While no amount of money can heal the wounds and trauma that First Nations children endured by being unnecessarily removed from their families and communities, I am proud of our Government's announcement of a \$40 billion landmark settlement for victims. It is a tremendous step in the right direction. **This settlement is the largest in Canadian history and is a major milestone in Canada's pursuit of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.**

The Government of Canada will provide \$20 billion to children

on reserve and in the Yukon who were unnecessarily removed from their homes between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 2022. This extends to their parents and caregivers.

Compensation will also be provided to those impacted by the narrow definition of Jordan's Principle, between Dec. 12, 2007 and Nov. 2, 2017. Jordan's Principle legislates that when governments disagree about who is responsible for providing services to an Indigenous child, they set jurisdictional concerns aside to prioritize helping the child. The

other half of the settlement, \$20 billion will go to reforming the First Nations Child and Family Services Program to ensure that First Nation's children will never again be needlessly taken away from their families and removed from their communities.

This work is expected to begin in April 2022. **More than 200,000 children and families are impacted by the compensation agreement. This landmark deal provides a path forward for compensating victims and ensuring that this never happens again in Canada.**





Making life more affordable with \$10-a-day child care

As we face the COVID-19 pandemic and global inflation together, Canadians need support to make life more affordable. \$10-a-day child care is one of the ways we're making life more affordable for families.

In the last year, we have signed twelve deals with most provinces and territories that will **reduce child care costs by 50 per cent** on average this year, create hundreds of thousands of new spaces for kids, and make \$10-a-day child care a reality in five years or less. Our Government's plan will help families, support our kids, get parents —especially women—back into the workforce, create jobs, and grow the middle class.

Ontario is the only province or territory left to adopt our plan, and I hope they will sign the agreement soon so the Federal Government can make \$10-a-day child care a reality for families in Whitby, Ontarians and all Canadians.

Affordable housing in Whitby and Durham Region

We know that market forces have continued to push the affordability of housing beyond reach for many individuals and families. On January 6th, our Government announced \$10.3 million in funding for Durham Region under the Federal Government's Rapid Housing Initiative. **This funding will support the rapid creation of 42 new permanent and affordable housing units for people living in precarious housing situations and for those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, within 12 months.** The funds will be invested in 24 units at Normandy Towns, located at 501 Normandy Street in Oshawa, for those who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness, and **18 units at the Otter Creek Co-op, located at 835 McQuay Boulevard** in Whitby, for seniors, individuals with developmental disabilities, and individuals who live with mental illness and substance use issues. **Further, at least 25 per cent of this new funding will go toward women-focused housing projects women and children fleeing domestic violence.** This is part of the National Housing Strategy, a \$72 billion investment over 10 years in affordable housing across Canada that continues to help hundreds of thousands of Canadians secure affordable housing.



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- Very good
- Good
- Neutral
- Poorly
- Very poorly

What are the most important issues facing you and your family?



Canada Summer Jobs

As we do every year, my office put out a call for applications to access Canada Summer Jobs funding. CSJ is a Government of Canada program that strives to help youth who are 15–30 years of age obtain their first summer work experience.

This year, the program is aiming to create up to 100,000 full-time summer jobs for young people, including from under-represented groups—a 40% increase over pre-pandemic targets.

The program provides opportunities for youth to develop and improve their skills within the not-for-profit, small business, and public sectors, and supports the delivery of key community services. For the 2022 funding period, I am proud to have engaged 170+ organizations directly to support their operations. For the 2021 funding period, I'm also proud to report that 750 jobs were created for youth as a result of our Government investing \$3 million in Whitby alone.

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