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A Cleaner Future for our Children and Grandchildren

Dear Neighbours,

When it comes to addressing climate change in ways that have a positive impact on the economy and the cost of living, I have been hard at work. There are many big national level policy changes that I can report on, but I'm always trying to ensure that my community and constituents can see the tangible benefits of those national initiatives in their daily lives.

Our government's efforts are making it easier for Canadian families in Whitby to play a role against climate change.

There are two immediate steps that Canadians can take to help us realize our ambitious goal of getting to net-zero by 2050, and they are: 1) drive an electric vehicle, and 2) retrofit your home. We are making both of these lifestyle choices easier and more economical for families in Whitby and across Durham Region.

Also, don't forget that this July 15th, Canadians will start to receive quarterly payments of the "Price on Pollution" which is putting more money in your pocket. The average Ontario family of four will receive \$745 this year alone, and the Parliamentary Budget Officer has recently reported that 8 out of 10 Canadian families will be better off financially as a result.

I've also been working on your behalf to ensure that our government is leveraging private investment to scale innovative solutions to fight climate change, build a strong and sustainable economy, and make life more affordable.

The fight against climate change will continue to demand bold action from all sectors, industries, and levels of government, as well as, individual Canadians to overcome the worst crisis of our times.

Thank you for your active participation in the fight against climate change! With respect and sincerity,

Ryan Turnbull Member of Parliament for Whitby



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Transitioning to Electric Vehicles

Budget 2022 aims to lower Canada's carbon emissions, fastforward the clean energy transition, create jobs, and make life more affordable. Our government knows that ZEVs are crucial to achieving our goals and ambitions. We will produce ZEVs in Canada, creating thousands of new manufacturing jobs. Furthermore, we are investing in more charging infrastructure to make sure drivers have convenient access to charging stations wherever they travel. And, we will get more Canadians into ZEVs by making it easier and more affordable to purchase one.

GM Canada's Oshawa Manufacturing Plant

The federal government has invested \$259 Million as part of GM Canada's \$2 billion investment to transition their manufacturing plant in Oshawa and Ingersoll to produce ZEVs.

- This will increase Canada's domestic supply of ZEVs
- This will add a third shift to GM Oshawa and will total 2,600 well-paying jobs
- GM Canada will manufacture the BrightDrop Cargo Van, the first Canadian-made electric cargo van.

Increasing Canada's ZEV Charging Capacity

Budget 2022 is investing \$400 million to achieve our goal of installing 50,000 new charging stations across Canada on top of the 25,000 already announced.

 Durham Region will receive \$200,000 from the Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program for 42 more Level 2 EV public charging stations with the greatest number in Whitby

- This expands the ZEV charging network across Durham Region to over 100
- More ZEVs on the road requires more places to charge them.

Federal Zero-Emission Vehicle Rebate

The federal **Zero-Emission Vehicle purchase rebate** has expanded to include new vehicles and will continue until March 2025.

- Canadians can obtain a rebate of up to \$5,000 when purchasing a ZEV
- The program now includes cars with a base model price of up to \$55K as well as Trucks/SUVs with a base model price of up to \$60K
- This will get more ZEVs on the road by making them more affordable to purchase for families across Durham Region



MP Ryan Turnbull and Regional Chair John Henry test out a Level 2 ZEV charger at Trent University Durham

Greener Homes for a Cleaner Future

Giving Canadians opportunities to meaningfully contribute to the fight against Climate Change means providing access to the tools they need to make their homes more energy-efficient. Through new programs like the

Durham Greener Homes Program, **Build Smart**, and our new incentives to help Canadians retrofit their homes, we can look forward to a greener future in greener homes for generations to come.



MP Turnbull announces the launch of the Durham Greener Homes Program on April 28th.

The Durham Greener Homes Program

I was overjoyed to make a major federal government announcement of \$3.4 million through the **Green Municipal Fund** to support the **Durham Greener Homes Program**.

The program supports energy retrofits in homes built between 1970-2000, over half of the homes in Durham Region.

- Home energy efficiency upgrades will include: high-efficiency HVAC equipment, thermal envelope upgrades, lighting upgrades, high-efficiency appliances, heat pump installation, renewable energy and energy storage systems, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, water conservation measures, indoor air quality measures, new doors and windows, and spray foam insulation.
- The Durham Greener Homes Program provides a concierge platform that will help homeowners conveniently access contractors
- Secures financing homeowners through a third-party lender and can sign up for an on-bill repayment plan with utility
- Provides up to 4 no-cost phone or video consultations with Home Energy Coaches
- Access services of highly qualified contractors pre-vetted by the Durham Greener Homes Program
- Saves homeowners an average of 30% on utility bills
- Creates many local jobs in the skilled trades (many of whom will be trained at Durham College's Whitby Campus)



Making home energy retrofits a reality for Durham Region residents will save them money at a time when the cost of living is on the rise.

Visit <u>www.durhamgreenerhomes.ca</u> to learn how to make green retrofits to your home

Additional Measures for Building Retrofits

Canada Greener Homes Grant

- 700,000 grants of \$5,000 for home upgrades
- Creates more than 110,000 direct and indirect jobs
- 2,000 new energy advisors for new home evaluations

Canada Greener Homes Loan

- \$4.2 billion in loans to help complete home energy retrofits
- Zero-Interest financing up to \$40,000 for retrofits
- Up to 175,000 loans available

Build Smart

- Creates new energy-efficient building codes for new and existing homes
- Supports 21 retrofit programs through funding from the Low Carbon Economy Fund
- Finances R&D projects like the net-zero energy ready new construction
- Supports large-scale building retrofits through an investment of \$2 billion through the Canada Infrastructure Bank

The Price on Pollution Puts More Money in Your Pocket — REALLY

When we introduced the **Price on Pollution**, we did so with the promise that it would help lower carbon emissions and put money back into the pockets of Canadians, and that is exactly what it is doing. Through direct quarterly payments starting this July, the **Climate Action Incentive Fund** (CAIF), will help make your life more affordable.

Look for a direct payment this July

- The average Ontario family can expect to receive \$745 this year with the first direct quarterly payment as of July 15th from the CAIF
- This is \$145 more than the average Ontario family received last year
- Households will receive 90% of revenues raised from carbon pricing
- 8/10 families will receive more than what they paid in federal fuel charges

Our government's goal is to fight Climate Change while building a more sustainable economy and making life more affordable.

I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

My job is to be your voice in Ottawa.

Hearing from you is what allows me to be an effective Member of Parliament. I work hard to listen and keep up to date with your priorities.



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MP Turnbull speaks during his Impact Investment event where business leaders from across the country presented ways to harness private capital in the fight against climate change.

Impact Investment — Leveraging Private Capital to Fight Climate Change

On May 3rd, I hosted an Impact Investment event on Parliament Hill with Ministers, Parliamentarians, and business leaders from across the country to discuss how we can use private capital to reach our emission reduction targets. We listened to presenters representing corporations and institutional investors from across the country who presented ways we can harness private capital to reach our emissions reduction targets.

We listened to presenters representing Telus, MaRS Discovery, Desjardins, VanCity, Credit Union, The Co-operators, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and University Pension Plan Ontario. They discussed the impact investments they have made and the positive outcomes those investments have created.

It's encouraging to know that many corporations are not just avoiding environmentally harmful investments but are actively seeking investments in enterprises and projects that aim to create measurable, positive social, and environmental impacts. Measures like the **Social Finance Fund** and **Canada Growth Fund** were designed to encourage investments in projects to help Canada achieve our ambitious climate goals and realize the growth potential from the transition to a low-carbon economy.

As the chair of the **Social Innovation Caucus**, I was happy to organize and host this event on Parliament Hill to showcase Canadian businesses and institutional investors realizing the power that impact investment can have in solving societal issues like climate change.

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