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Here to Serve



Summer 2021

Dear Friends:



As we celebrate Canada Day, we reflect on the challenges we have faced and look with hope to the future.

At the time of writing, there are encouraging signs that with public health restrictions beginning to lift, this summer may see a gradual return to normal. These past 16 months have seen so many traditional events and celebrations cancelled. However, as is so often the case, the volunteers behind these events have persevered and I cannot thank them enough for all they do in our communities.

Among the hardest-hit businesses are those in the hospitality and tourism industries. It will be a struggle for many of these businesses to re-build.

However, I hope all of you will join me in pledging to shop, eat, and drink locally whenever possible. These businesses have supported our communities for years and the least we can do is support them now.

Many of the pandemic support programs for both businesses and individuals have been extended until September of 2021. These programs include the Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB), the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit

(CRSB), and the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS). For more information on these programs and others, please visit:

www.canada.ca/COVID19

The struggles of mental health have become all too apparent during this pandemic. While there is much to be done, one immediate step is the creation of a national suicide prevention hotline modelled on the current 9-1-1 system. On

December 11, 2020, the House of Commons unanimously passed a resolution calling for the creation of such a hotline. Unfortunately, this has yet to be implemented.

Finally, if you ever need assistance with any federal matter, please reach out to me. My staff and I are ready to assist you in

navigating the often-cumbersome government processes you may face.

We are here to help in any way we can.

Happy Canada Day!

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