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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MP

Dear Friends and Neighbours,

I hope the first few months of 2022 have been kind to you, and your family. As we inch closer to the Spring season, brighter days and warmer weather are certainly on the horizon.

Canadians have again faced challenges, and we are working together to overcome them. I continue to work hard to ensure businesses, entrepreneurs and our economy continue to receive the support that they need in order to build back better. We are beginning to see employment rates back at pre-pandemic levels, we continue to lead on the world stage, and work to deliver an equitable pandemic response and shared global recovery.

Of course, my top priority continues to be supporting all of you through the pandemic and ensuring an inclusive recovery. We can see a light at the end of the tunnel and my commitment is to ensure that our community overcomes these remaining obstacles so that we can continue to connect, come together and celebrate our achievements in person once again.

As always, my team is available to help you navigate federal programs or answer any questions you have by calling 905-479-8100 or emailing us at Mary.Ng@parl.gc.ca

Sincerely,

RENEWING OPTIMISM IN THE YEAR AHEAD

This past September, Canadians chose to move forward for everyone. They chose to take strong action to beat the COVID-19 pandemic, create jobs and grow the middle class, put home ownership back in reach for everyone, and accelerate the fight against climate change. And that's what we will do.

Our government understands the rising cost of living is making it harder for Canadians to put food on the table and buy necessities. That's why we have a plan to make life more affordable for all Canadians. From \$10 a day child care to supports for low-income seniors, our government will be there for as long as it takes to ensure no Canadian gets left behind.

We will always be there for Canadians and give them the support they need as we work towards building a better Canada—for everyone.



CONSTITUENCY YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE

The over 40 inspiring youth leaders that make up the Markham-Thornhill CYC continue to be dedicated to making our community a better place to live. We have met on multiple occasions already this year, and have had very engaging discussions on a variety of topics affecting young people. Our CYC has highlighted three topics to focus on: youth engagement, mental health, and climate change. Fueled by optimism and passion, I cannot wait to see what they will do throughout the rest of the year!



SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC

Canadian businesses and entrepreneurs have shown incredible resilience throughout this pandemic, and since day one, our government has had their backs. We recognize that many still need support to cope with the challenges brought on by the surge of Omicron. Recently, we've taken additional measures to protect them such as:



Extending the **Canada Emergency Businesses Account** and **Regional Relief and Recovery Fund** loan forgiveness repayment deadlines to the end of 2023 for eligible businesses.



Introducing the **Tourism and Hospitality Recovery Program** and the **Hardest-Hit Business Recovery Program**.



Temporarily expanded access to the new **Local Lockdown Program** so businesses can get the help they need to sustain them through new and necessary public health restrictions.

SAFE COMMUNITIES AND COMBATTING ANTI-ASIAN RACISM



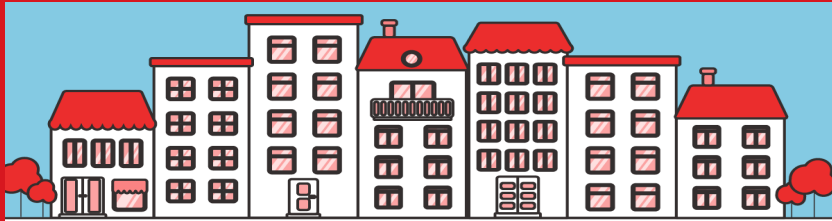
This past month, I met with York Regional Police Department's Superintendent Ryan Hogan and Inspector Alice Tsang to discuss making our community safe for everyone after break-ins at several Chinese restaurants in Markham-Thornhill. We will continue to work together make our community a better place.

Throughout the pandemic, we have witnessed an alarming rise in anti-Asian racism. It is unacceptable, and serves as a reminder of the hate and racism that we all play a role in denouncing. Our government is committing to taking action against hatred and discrimination in all its forms.

OUR HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE FIRST 100 DAYS

From day one, our government has worked tirelessly to protect Canadians from COVID-19, ensure that businesses can keep workers on their payroll, and to make life more affordable for families across the country. From taking action on climate change, to making affordable child care a reality, we will continue to deliver concrete results for Canadians.



Creating **2,870 safe and affordable homes in Ontario** to help those who need it most.

Announced the construction of over 10,000 new affordable homes through the Rapid Housing Initiative, including 2,870 in Ontario.

A strong, growing economy must include affordable housing, that is why we will always support Canadians in their goals of becoming homeowners.

Improved digital access to mental health by launching the PocketWell app, a free companion app to the Wellness Together Canada online portal.

FREE 24/7

Mental health and substance use support:



They're Protecting Us.

Now, **We're** Protecting our Healthcare Workers.



Passed Bill C-3 making it illegal to block access to buildings providing health services and intimidate or threaten healthcare workers.

Everyone has a right to feel safe when going to work or while seeking the care they need.

We've now signed agreements with nine provinces and three territories to reduce child care costs by 50 per cent in the next year, create hundreds of thousands of new spaces for kids, and make \$10-a-day child care a reality in five years or less, and we remain focused on working with the Government of Ontario to reach an agreement and support parents and children across the country.

MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE

FOR FAMILIES

THROUGH \$10/DAY CHILD CARE



LOCAL EVENTS



NEW YEARS LEVEE 2022



**YORK REGION
SENIORS TOWN HALL**



TAMIL HERITAGE MONTH



REPUBLIC DAY OF INDIA



**ISLAMIC SOCIETY FAMILY
GAME DAY**



**LUNAR NEW YEAR
CELEBRATION**

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH!

Black History Month is a time to recognize and celebrate the many contributions and accomplishments Black Canadians have made, and continue to make to our country.

In Markham-Thornhill, for over 30 years MACCA has brought together Black Canadians in our community—creating a space to feel welcome, heard, and celebrated, and to have needed conversations on topics such as Anti-Black Racism, and how we can take action. A big thank you to MACCA, and the countless other Black-Canadian leaders and organizations for your continued advocacy in our community!



Photo from 2019



My office continues to serve Markham—Thornhill through virtual assistance. You can reach us by emailing Mary.Ng@parl.gc.ca or calling 905-479-8100.

