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Alberta has a strong team of Conservative Members of Parliament in Ottawa and we are making sure Alberta's priorities are loudly heard in the House of Commons.

Being in Opposition means we have to work with other parties to advance important issues — and we have! We have managed to make a difference in a wide variety of areas for all Albertans, no matter who you voted for in the last election.

I am pleased to share a small sample of the amazing work and initiatives that your Alberta Conservative MPs have done on your behalf. We will continue to advocate for Alberta at every turn and ensure that Alberta is a key part of Canada's economic recovery.

We will continue to defend hard-working Albertans and demand that our province get its fair share from the federal government.

By working together on your behalf, our Conservative team has been able to magnify our voices and our impact in Parliament. I am thankful that I have the opportunity to work with such a dedicated and hard-working team.

As always, I appreciate your ongoing support and encouragement and consider it an honour to be your elected federal representative in the House of Commons.

Sincerely,

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IMPROVING PALLIATIVE CARE

Len Webber, MP
Calgary Confederation



For years, my family has volunteered with Hospice Calgary. Never would I have ever thought that I would be fighting for a bed for my wife one day. I saw then first-hand how critical it is that we have a good palliative care system in Canada.

I also saw first-hand how horribly underfunded this specialized care is within our current health care system. We need to improve palliative care both for the patients and their families. The fact is that palliative care remains grossly underfunded and

access is hit-and-miss depending on where you live and when you need it.

This year I hosted a special event in Ottawa that brought together palliative care specialists from across Canada to discuss ways to improve the access Canadians have no matter where they live or their economic circumstances.

All Canadians deserve to die with dignity.

PROTECTING YOU WITH NOAH'S LAW

Gerald Soroka, MP
Yellowhead



Following the devastating tragedy in Hinton, Alberta, where the lives of young Noah and his mother Mchale were taken by a repeat sex offender, I introduced Bill C-336, *Noah's Law*.

This critical legislation demands tougher management of sex offenders likely to reoffend.

It requires a 30-year period of reporting restrictions, and mandates the completion of a treatment program, before any relaxation of terms.

Additionally, it increases the obligations of sex offenders to update their residences at a registration center before relocating.

Noah's Law is my commitment to strengthening our community's safety and preventing such tragedies in the future. In memory of Noah and Mchale, I am dedicated to protecting all Canadians and ensuring such a loss never happens again.

PROTECTING OUR FRONTLINE HEROES

Shuvaloy Majumdar, MP

Calgary Heritage



Our frontline heroes bravely report to work each day, risking their lives to save ours, but now they need our help.

Disturbingly, the Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians reports alarming levels of violence: Almost half of hospital nurses endure assault or sexual harassment. 75% of paramedics experience workplace violence, suffering from psychological wounds like anxiety and PTSD. Over the last decade, violence-related lost-time claims for healthcare

workers surged nearly 66%, valued at almost a billion dollars.

I was proud to co-sponsor MP Todd Doherty's Private Member's Bill C-321, which recently passed in the House of Commons.

This legislation amends the Criminal Code to make assault against front-line workers an aggravating circumstance upon sentencing, thereby safeguarding those who protect us.

FIGHTING FOR EARLY SCREENING

Laila Goodridge, MP

Fort McMurray—Cold Lake



I lost my mom to breast cancer in 2010 when she was only 49 years old. Annually, over 5,500 Canadian women lose their lives to this cancer. Early screening drastically reduces mortality rates, yet the Liberal government's taskforce, establishing to update guidelines, neglects current evidence, relying on outdated data. Mammograms cut mortality by 40%, with a 44% reduction for women in their 40s. Experts know early screening works, but ages vary nationwide. My Motion to review these screening

guidelines at the Health Committee was unanimously-supported. My advocacy honours my mother and close friends like Mandi, Kristen, Iris, Tara, and others. Without better screening in the updated guidelines, Canadian women face heightened risks of late-stage diagnoses and fatalities. I persist in demanding inclusion of earlier screening in forthcoming guidelines to safeguard more lives.

FIGHTING FOR CANADA'S VETERANS

Blake Richards, MP

Banff—Airdrie



As Shadow Minister for Veterans Affairs, I visit veterans' shelters, food banks, and service organizations across Canada to meet with those who are looking after Canada's heroes and stepping up where the government is failing them.

An important part of this role is to take their remarkable stories back to Ottawa, where I share the fine work they are doing in the House of Commons and in the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs, and to get action on their concerns.

My *Veterans Insider* e-newsletter highlights the work being done for Veterans. You can signup to help demand better for our veterans at www.blakerichards.ca.

Common-sense Conservatives will ensure veterans and their families get the respect they deserve for their service to Canada rather than more delays and denials.

ENDING SLAVERY IN SUPPLY CHAINS

Arnold Viersen, MP

Peace River—Westlock



Today there are over 50 million men, women and children enslaved around the world - more than at any point in history.

They are forced to make some of the products we buy in stores. This is why in 2018 I launched the All-Party Parliamentary Group to End Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking and serve as one of the four co-chairs.

Ending slavery has been a key policy priority for the Conservative Party and in 2023, I and my colleagues worked

hard to pass the *Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act* through Parliament.

As a result, this important Bill was adopted. Now companies operating in Canada must report on their supply chains and efforts to eliminate slave labour.

We won't stop fighting for freedom.

SUPPORTING UKRAINE

Shannon Stubbs, MP

Lakeland



Over 57,000 displaced Ukrainians have come to Alberta since Putin's illegal, imperialist attack on Ukraine. I proudly represent the many Lakeland individuals, municipalities, clubs and organizations like "Vegreville Stands with Ukraine", who are working tirelessly to open up their communities as a sanctuary for safety and stability.

I have dedicated staff members that work with constituents and evacuees on their immigration applications, assist municipalities to navigate between provincial Rural Renewal

Streams and the federal immigration regulatory process, and collaborate with the province on bridge programs to permanent residency.

I have prioritized economic and social opportunity and pathways to permanent residence. Common-sense Conservatives will always support Ukrainians, advance their territorial sovereignty and their right to live peacefully and securely.

NATURAL HEALTH PRODUCTS ACCESS

Blaine Calkins, MP

Red Deer—Lacombe



Conservatives have been working hard to ensure that Canadians can continue to have access to the natural health products they rely on daily.

I introduced Bill C-368 to repeal the changes snuck into Bill C-47 by the Liberal-NDP coalition.

The Liberal government changed the definition of Health Products and is now regulating them the same as drugs. This will drive business and products out of Canada, hamper

innovation, limit choice and increase costs for Canadians.

Bill C-368 will undo these disastrous changes and return certainty and predictability for consumers and the natural health products industry. Canadians are more than capable of making their own health decisions and C-368 will restore freedom and choice to Canadians!

STANDING UP FOR RURAL ALBERTA

Damien Kurek, MP

Battle River—Crowfoot



Rural Alberta has a rich history of industry and entrepreneurship.

I am proud to stand up for the people who take pride in their hard work and dedication to their industries and communities.

I have been addressing the issues that are affecting folks and working to find solutions that benefit all Albertans. This includes advocating for the growth of the oil and gas, agriculture, and technology industries.

Whether it is in Committee, the House of Commons, or in everyday life, I am making it a priority to talk about the issues that affect rural Albertans and advocate for rural priorities to ensure we are not forgotten. I advocate for policies that will make life better, including axing the carbon tax, a levy that makes life unaffordable for Albertans at every step of the process.

END EXTORTION

Tim Uppal, MP

Edmonton Mill Woods



After nine years of Liberal soft-on-crime policies, crime is wreaking havoc in our neighbourhoods and extortion has skyrocketed by 218%.

This alarming trend coincides with Justin Trudeau's repeal of mandatory minimum penalties for extortion offenses and his catch-and-release bail rules in Bill C-5 and Bill C-75.

This is why I introduced a common-sense Conservative Bill C-381, the *Protection Against Extortion Act*. This legislation will establish mandatory

minimum penalties for extortion offenses and put the extortionists where they belong: behind bars. Conservatives will not tolerate the exploitation of our citizens for financial gain and we will not allow organized crime rings to terrorize our communities.

Canadians deserve to feel safe in their communities. Our plan will bring back safe streets and keep our communities protected.

STANDING UP FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Stephanie Kusie, MP

Calgary Midnapore



Having been approached by the Alberta Fire Chiefs Association regarding extreme backlogs in the Exemplary Service Medal Program for fire services (through the office of the Governor General of Canada), I felt it important to act on behalf of these first responders.

As the Governor General's own website indicates, the process of issuing medals should take approximately four months. The AFCA was reporting delays of up to two years. I reached out to the

Governor General's office to request the problem be addressed.

Following this intervention, two Chancellery of Honours officers met with the AFCA to determine what was causing the delays, along with a plan to streamline and speed up the process.

Conservatives will always stand up for first responders.

KEEPING OUR MILITARY READY

Pat Kelly, MP

Calgary Rocky Ridge



As a member of the Defence Committee, I helped expose Canada's ammunition shortage crisis — especially in 155mm artillery shells.

Canadian industry currently produces around 3,000 such rounds per month, which is inadequate to supply our own military's needs, and much less than the daily firing rate in Ukraine. In some cases, Canada's ammunition supplies would last only a few days in a time of war, and take years to replace at current rates of production.

In response to my questioning, Chief of Defence Staff Wayne Eyre testified that he is "extremely concerned" that Canada has failed to produce even one additional round of ammunition since February 2022.

Following sustained pressure from Conservative MPs, the Liberal government has announced domestic production increases.

SUPPORTING FAMILIES OF MURDER VICTIMS

Michael Cooper, MP

St. Albert—Edmonton



I am pleased to have worked alongside my former colleague, Senator Pierre-Hugues Boisvenu, to draft Bill S-281—*Brian's Bill*.

My constituents Mike and Dianne Ilesic lost their son Brian in the 2012 mass shooting at the U of A.

Murderers like Brian's killer are eligible to apply for parole year after year once they serve their minimum sentence. These annual parole hearings often retraumatize the families of murder victims.

Brian's Bill seeks to end annual parole hearings for murderers by barring them from applying for parole each year. It would require them to wait until their mandatory parole review which occurs every five years.

This small but significant change is the least we can do for the families of murder victims.

MAKING FOOD AFFORDABLE AGAIN

John Barlow, MP

Foothills



On April 1st the Prime Minister hiked the already suffocating carbon tax by 23%, a tax that will cost Canadian producers nearly \$1 billion by 2030.

Again, the Liberal government has shown its disregard and disdain for Alberta farmers and ranchers; however, Conservatives are working to make farming and food affordable with Bill C-234.

This common-sense Bill will provide relief from the carbon tax for hard-working farmers and ranchers and

Alberta Conservative MPs worked tirelessly to get the Bill passed.

However, the Bill was later gutted by Liberal-appointed Senators.

The Bill is back in the House of Commons where we are working to remove the amendments and pass C-234 in its original form.

We will prioritize Canadian agriculture to make life more affordable.

SAFEGUARDING OUR NATION

Tom Kmiec, MP

Calgary Shepard



Conservatives on the Canada-China Committee have been holding the Liberal government accountable for numerous scandals including one that has national and international security implications at the National Microbiology Laboratory in Winnipeg.

Two years ago, two scientists were fired from the Lab due to concerns over foreign government-led espionage linked to the People's Republic of China's military. The Liberal government kept this secret for three years, obstructed Parliamentary

committees, and even took the Speaker to court to avoid the release of this information.

Conservatives are now investigating this national security breach at the Canada-China committee. Canadians deserve to know what happened, what the scientists were doing and on behalf of whom, and finally, what the Liberal government knew and why it failed to act until years after the fact.

HOLDING THE CBC TO ACCOUNT

Rachael Thomas, MP

Lethbridge



One would expect a public broadcaster, funded by taxpayers, to be reasonably non-partisan in its news coverage. Instead, the CBC functions as the propaganda arm of the Liberal government.

It's clear this approach isn't appealing to Canadians since viewership has declined by half since 2018 and trust in the media is at an all-time low.

Despite this, the Liberal Heritage Minister renewed the CEO's contract and gave her a massive bonus. In

fact, \$15 million in bonuses were handed out to the executive team during the last reported fiscal year.

Meanwhile, at Christmas time, the CEO threatened to cut 800 jobs, while protecting the elite at the top.

As the Shadow Minister for Heritage, it's my job to hold the government to account on this and that's what I'm working hard to do. The CBC isn't worth the cost.

KEEPING ALBERTANS SAFE

Michelle Rempel-Garner, MP

Calgary Nose Hill



I am proud to fight for Albertans in Ottawa. A pressing issue is the start of wildfire season. Albertans care deeply about our environment and natural spaces, and expect the federal government to have a plan to mitigate natural disasters caused by drought and wildfires.

Albertans are worried about the impact of drought and wildfires and are concerned about the lack of action from the Prime Minister. I have started a petition compelling the government to respond to calls for

action from those who are concerned about the lack of planning for this year's wildfire season. The government has a responsibility to keep citizens safe, and it must show proactive leadership.

I will always stand up to keep Albertans safe. If you agree with the petition, sign at: www.ourcommons.ca/petitions/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-4949.

TIME FOR NEW LEADERSHIP

Ron Liepert, MP

Calgary Signal Hill



For the last nine years, our Alberta Conservative caucus has defended our energy and agriculture industries from the environmental zealots in the other political parties. Since the Liberals took office in 2015, Alberta and its industries have been under attack while continuing to over-contribute to the national GDP. However, since the election of Pierre Poilievre as leader, Canadians are becoming more aware of these facts and are recognizing the Liberal policies are hurting not only Alberta but all of Canada. It's

time for new leadership to fix the budget and monetary policy, slow the rate of crime, seriously protect the environment and increase the standard of living for younger generations by building more homes. While the other opposition parties prop up this tired government we will continue to call for new leadership and the election that the majority of Canadians so desperately want.

IT IS GENERATIONAL UNFAIRNESS

Greg McLean, MP
Calgary Centre



The Liberals' 2024 Budget was titled "Fairness for Every Generation".

Nothing could be further from the truth. The Liberal legacy to Millennials and Gen Z is massive debt with crippling annual interest payments.

The debt stands at \$1.255 trillion. Let's say future governments could find \$20 billion/year toward that debt. It would take 63 years to pay down the principal.

Meanwhile, we pay annual interest. This year: \$54.1 billion. That's more

than health care transfers. Interest is Canada's second biggest spending envelope (second only to seniors' benefits). Interest payments yield no services or benefits. Instead, we will send tax dollars to bankers and bondholders for decades.

It's an enduring, grim legacy for our kids, their kids and their grandkids. And it is outrageous intergenerational unfairness.

STUDYING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Jasraj Singh Hallan, MP
Calgary Forest Lawn



Canadians have been suffering from a dramatic doubling of the cost of houses and rents.

In addition, interest rates and taxes are also up, putting a great deal of strain on many Canadians' household budgets. Naturally, the Trudeau government denies that this has ever been a problem.

In fact, even as the government throws billions of dollars into housing, Canada is building the fewest houses since the 1970s. In 2023, Canada

had only 240,000 housing starts and the CMHC is forecasting further drops.

In response, and as part of my role as Shadow Minister of Finance and as Deputy Chair of the Finance Committee, I have been working with other committee members to study this urgent issue. We are looking to discover the true depths and causes of this crisis and put forward a plan to fix it for Canadians.

CANADA-ASEAN FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Matt Jeneroux, MP

Edmonton Riverbend



The Canada-ASEAN Parliamentary Friendship Group, which I recently co-founded, will foster stronger ties between Canada and member nations of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) as many countries pivot away from doing business with China.

Our mission will be to promote collaboration between Parliamentarians in Ottawa and counterparts in ASEAN countries. Through exchanging ideas, knowledge, and culture, we aim to strengthen diplomatic relations,

co-operation, and trade.

In 2022, trade between Canada and ASEAN countries exceeded \$40 billion. ASEAN nations represent one of the world's most dynamic economic regions and are pivotal players in global affairs. By strengthening our relationship, Canada will be better able to expand trade, address shared challenges, and promote peace and prosperity in the Pacific region.

THE TRUTH ABOUT HOUSING

Ziad Aboultaif, MP

Edmonton Manning



Canadians have given up hope there can be any improvement in housing affordability under the Liberals. I heard this at a Town Hall meeting I hosted at the Kingsway Legion this March with MP Scott Aitchison, Shadow Minister for Housing.

Canada builds fewer homes than we did 50 years ago when our population was half of what it is today.

As a direct consequence of the Liberals' inability to get enough houses built, average asking rents for all resi-

dential properties reached a record high of \$2,178 in December 2023, while the cost of a downpayment has doubled since 2015.

At the Town Hall we discussed the housing crisis in Canada and the Conservative plan to build more homes. The *Building Homes, Not Bureaucracy Act* will increase the housing supply by giving incentives to municipalities that build homes.

DEMANDING ACTION ON AUTO THEFT

Dane Lloyd, MP

Sturgeon River—Parkland



Since the Liberals took office in 2015, auto theft has tripled in our largest cities. The situation is now so bad that experts are describing Canada as a car thief's "candy store".

At the Public Safety Committee, we have heard from police and auto makers who have pointed to the NDP-Liberal government's revolving-door justice system and a lack of investment in protecting our borders.

Auto theft is not a victimless crime. The profits from stolen vehicles are

funding violence in our communities – from gun smuggling to homicide. The Liberal soft-on-crime agenda is causing chaos in our streets. Now, Canadians are left paying the price with insurance premiums increasing by \$500 per year.

Common-sense Conservatives will bring back jail, not bail, for repeat violent car thieves to ensure we can feel safe in our own driveways.

THE ARRIVECAN BOONDOGGLE

Kelly McCauley, MP

Edmonton West



How do you turn an \$80,000 app into a \$60 million boondoggle? The Operations and Estimates Committee—which I Chair—has been investigating the ArriveCAN scandal for over a year and we still do not have full answers except the usual: Liberal incompetence. What we have learned is the government paid for subcontractors who did little-to-no work on the app, government employees received government consulting contracts from their own departments on the side, and the Liberals released

the ArriveCAN app without testing (remember ArriveCAN sending 10,000 into quarantine in error?). Bit by bit we have been exposing the Liberal/NDP coalition's incompetence and corruption behind the ArriveCAN boondoggle. My Conservative colleagues and I on the Operations and Estimates Committee continue to hold the Liberal/NDP coalition to account for the ArriveCAN scandal.

Looking for a job?

If you are seeking employment, visit www.jobbank.gc.ca for a list of public and private sector job opportunities.

You can search for jobs by location, type, full time/part time/casual.

You can also download the app, set up alerts, look for skills matches and build your resume.

Looking for benefits?

If you are in need of government assistance benefits, visit www.canadabenefits.gc.ca.

You will be provided with all the benefits you may be eligible for after answering 20 multiple-choice questions.

You may be surprised to find out you are entitled to benefits you are not currently receiving.

Looking for help?

Many Canadians will suffer from mental health challenges at some point in their lives. It is important you reach out for help if you need it.

If you need to speak to someone, please call 811, or call the Mental Health Helpline at 1-877-303-2642. Youth can get help through Kids Help Phone at 1-800-668-6868.

Travelling Abroad?

For the latest information on anything related to travel outside of Canada, please visit www.canada.ca/travel.

Get frequently updated information on your destination and any travel warnings.

Anyone traveling abroad should register their trip for free in case of an emergency.