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Discussing politics and democracy with the smart Grade 10 students at Loretto College

Davenport Neighbours:

The Trudeau government has just completed its first legislative term. I am proud of our new tone, of our genuine progress on greater transparency, and of all that we have accomplished. We have focused on strengthening the middle class and those who are trying to join it – having introduced the tax-free Canada Child Benefit as well as a middle-class tax cut. Minister Bill Morneau also reached a historic agreement with provincial leaders to increase the Canada Pension Plan — every Canadian deserves a secure and dignified retirement after a lifetime of hard work.

I was honoured to have played a role as a key member of the Pay Equity Special Committee. After almost 40 years of pay equity being a Canadian Human Right, our final report pushes for immediate action and implementation of a federal proactive pay equity model and regime.

Davenport has over doubled the number of students working in the riding this summer – we want to give our students the best start to their working life. Government grants and funding has also been given to keep our seniors active, and to fund amazing innovative companies in the riding.

As Co-Chair of the Ontario Immigration Sub-Caucus, I also have been working hard to fix a very broken immigration system focusing on expediting spousal sponsorship and family reunification, in addition to finding pathways to citizenship for refugees, those with work permits who want to stay to build a life in Canada, as well as for international students who attend our post-secondary institutions and want to stay in Canada after their program is done.



Proud to celebrate Pride Toronto with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau & fellow MPs



There is so much more to tell you so if you would like regular updates from my office, please email me at <u>julie.dzerowicz@parl.gc.ca</u> and indicate you would like to be added to my distribution list.

I am here to serve you, so please do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything I can do to be helpful and/or if there is an event that you would like to invite me to attend.

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Enjoying Portugal Day Parade festivities with Jack Prazeres



Celebrating Eid ul-Fitr at the Da'wah Centre

As Co-Chair of the Canada Mexico Friendship Group at the State Dinner for Mexican President Peña Nieto

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Accomplishments & Action

Canada Child Benefit

The Liberal government knows that the increasing costs of living, especially the high cost of child care, has placed a tremendous amount of stress on Canadian families. That is why the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) was introduced. Beginning July 2016, CCB tax-free cheques will be sent to Canadian families.

The CCB combines all past child benefits and

9 out of 10 families will receive more benefits than before

activity credits into *one benefit* and will be geared to income. 9 out of 10 families will receive more support than before, and the CCB will lift 300,000 children out of poverty.

The maximum annual benefit is \$6,400 per child under the age of 6 and up to \$5,400 per child aged 6 to 17. Families with less than \$30,000 in net income will receive the maximum benefit. The Davenport riding is a middle class riding and the vast majority of families will benefit from the CCB.

To calculate your CCB visit: <u>http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/benefits-calculator/</u>

Canada Pension Plan

Canadians are working harder than ever but many are worried that they will not have enough for their retirement. Each year, fewer Canadians have workplace pensions to fall back on. To address this the Trudeau government made a commitment to strengthen the CPP in order to help Canadians achieve their goal of a strong, secure and stable retirement.

In June, Canada's Finance Ministers reached a historic agreement to make meaningful changes to the CPP; it will allow Canadians to retire with more money in their pockets. The deal will boost how much each Canadian will get from their pension — from one quarter of their earnings now, to fully one third.

To make sure these changes are affordable, they will be phased in slowly over seven years — from 2019 to 2025 — so that the impact is small and gradual.

For more information visit: <u>http://www.esdc.gc.ca/en/reports/pension/changes.page</u>

Pay Equity Report

Julie was very proud to be appointed as a key member of the Special Committee on Pay Equity. Pay equity has been a human right in Canada since 1977. There have been a number of reports since 2004 on how the federal government can adopt legislation.

As such, Julie's focus on the committee was on action and how to move forward on crafting

Every Canadian deserves a secure & dignified retirement

and implementing legislation as quickly as possible.

The Committee worked around the clock to meet with stakeholders and 31 recommendations were tabled, including:

- 1. Immediate repeal of the Public Sector Equitable Compensation Act introduced by the former Conservative government
- 2. Establishment of a proactive, federal pay equity legislation
- 3. Creation of a distinct Federal Pay Equity Commission and Pay Equity Tribunal

The full report can be found in the House of Commons Committees section of the **parl.gc.ca** website.



Enjoying the Regal Heights Residence Association Canada Day Parade



Greeting Davenport residences during the 2016 Portugal Day Parade.



Helping distribute food at the Oasis Centre food bank

Serving our Community

We are happy to support you with any Federal Government of Canada Program, Department or Service including:





Citizenship & Immigration (CIC) Passport Canada Employment Insurance (EI) Indigenous Affairs Canada Pension Plan (CPP) Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Old Age Security (OAS) Canadian Heritage Certificates/Greetings Parks Canada Veterans Affairs Heritage Canada Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)

Celebrating Canada Day at New Horizons Tower



Congratulating St. John Bosco on its 50th Anniversary

Congratulations to the recent graduates of Loretto College



Meeting Canadian Ambassador to Portugal Jeff Marder

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Julie & Matter and Form Inc. team celebrate the announcement of federal funding for innovative 3-D technology

Focus on Youth

In 2016, the federal government announced the doubling of the number of student summer jobs in order to ensure that our youth has the strongest possible start in their career life and to allow them to earn money for their ongoing studies.

This commitment, together with Julie's advocacy for additional funding, has led to **more than doubling** of funding of student jobs in Davenport. This summer, Julie is excited to tour of all the organisations and companies employing students across the riding. We look forward to seeing you!

Focus on Seniors

Keeping seniors active, healthy and engaged is a key priority for Julie in Davenport. Approximately \$150,000 in funding has been allocated to projects in Davenport serving our senior communities. Funded programs include those that help seniors mentor youth, yoga classes, and other programs that help reduce social isolation and engage seniors in our communities.

Funding Innovation

Davenport is quickly becoming a central hub for innovation in the Greater Toronto Area. In June, Julie announced a federal investment of almost \$900,000 to Matter & Form Inc. to fund innovative 3D technologies for various projects and platforms. This announcement was made on behalf of the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and is part of the government's vision to build Canada as a global centre for innovation.

Clearing the Path for Global Talent

As co-chair of the Ontario Immigration Sub-Caucus and the Member of Parliament for Davenport, Julie participated in a roundtable discussion on how government can help pave the way for small, medium and large companies to compete and attract the best global talent to work in Canada. The discussion was hosted at Ubisoft Inc. (located in Davenport) by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce led by the Honourable Perrin Beatty. Over 25 industry participants joined the discussion, which also included special guest the Honourable John McCallum, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship. A list of recommendations and proposals were made that will be championed by Julie.



Julie celebrating Portugal Day Parade with fellow Members of Parliament, Member of Provincial Parliament, Mayors and City Councillors!

Apoiando a Comunidade

Recentemente, Julie entrou em contato com o Ministério do Comércio Interno sobre CETA (Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement) indicando que este acordo será muito importante para a comunidado continuou no próximo dia (7 de junho) quando Julie, em conjunto com outros deputados, facilitou pela primeira vez





An evening celebrating Fado Music with Portuguese MP José de Almeida Cesário

importante para a comunidade.

Além destes feitos, no dia 6 de junho Julie fez outro discurso perante todos os deputados Canadianos, desta vez com o tema de Luís de Camões.

O reconhecimento do Dia de Portugal



Meeting with the Ambassador for the European Union, Marie-Anne Coninsx and the Portuguese Ambassador José Fernando Moreira da Cunha

Enjoying Portugal Day on the Hill with MP Fonseca, Portuguese Ambassador José Fernando Moreira da Cunha MP Mendes and MP Dzerowicz

"Portugal Day on the Hill" um evento que teve lugar no Parlamento e atraiu diversos dignitários, deputados e membros da comunidade.

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Discovering Davenport



Roundtable discussion on immigration issues facing the Brazilian community



Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of St. John Bosco Catholic High School



The New Horizons for Seniors Program is funding the Vietnamese Association of Toronto Seniors Choir



At Dovercourt Boys & Girls Club "Push for Hope" fundraiser to celebrate Supt. Heinz Kuck raising over \$10,000 for the Music Makers Program

YOU ARE INVITED

Environment & Climate Change

I would like to invite you to get involved and voice your opinion at the public consultations on Climate Change Mitigation.

Join us at one of our environment town hall meetings taking place on **Tues. Aug. 16 at Dufferin Grove Park (North) at 5pm** or **Wed. Aug. 17 at Earlscourt Park Pavilion (South) at 5pm**.

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change is looking for recommendations on how Canada should shape its Pan-Canadian Framework on climate change. This is the perfect opportunity to have your voice heard. RSVP to julie.dzerowicz.c1b@parl.gc.ca if you are interested in attending.

Electoral Reform

The Liberal government has committed to moving our electoral system into the 21st century. Davenport is hosting its electoral town hall

meeting on **Tues. Sept. 13 (location TBD) from 6:30pm to 8:30pm** – I'd like to hear from as many Davenport voices as possible.

RSVP to julie.dzerowicz.c1b@parl.gc.ca if you are interested in attending.

If you are an expert/knowledgeable about electoral reform and want **to speak** at the upcoming town hall, kindly email julie.dzerowicz@parl.gc.ca.

I am also welcoming **short written submissions on your thoughts on electoral reform** — feel free to comment on electoral systems, mandatory voting, electronic voting, number of voting days, number / location of voting stations, etc.

Upcoming Roundtable Discussions

In August, we will host a series of roundtable discussions on issues important to Davenport residents at Julie's community office — <u>1202</u> <u>Bloor St. W. from 5pm to 6:30pm:</u>

 Aug 22 – Canada Post: What services do we want offered in Davenport? Across Canada?

- Aug 29 **Bill C-51:** How do we change the current law?
- Aug 30 Innovation: How do we support innovation in Davenport? How do we build Canada into a global centre for innovation?

Please RSVP to julie.dzerowicz.c1b@parl.gc.ca and indicate which roundtable you would like to attend.

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