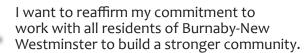


CANADA DAY 2014 CELEBRATIONS

Dear neighbours,

Thank you to each and every member of our community for sharing your concerns, for the great questions and for your informed correspondence and useful feedback about local, national and international issues.

As the Member of Parliament for Burnaby-New Westminster, I am working hard for policies and programs that will build a better Canada and foster a society that is diverse, vibrant and inclusive for Canadian families. A Canada where children have clean air, clean water and quality education, where seniors have better care and dignity, where new Canadians have the policies and programs that will allow them to realize their potential. A Canada where we protect our planet, secure our homes and our communities, respect workers' rights and commit to civil liberties and equality.



I am honoured to represent the community of Burnaby-New Westminster in Canada's national Parliament and I will keep on doing everything that I can to ensure that your voice is heard in Ottawa.

On July 1, 2014, join us in Burnaby and New Westminster to celebrate Canada's 147th birthday.

See you this Canada Day!



Please send me regular e-updates

Have your say:



CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

JULY 1, 2014

IN NEW WESTMINSTER

The City of New Westminster and the Arts Commission presents "Another all Day Canada Day – Queen's Park by Day, Riverfront by Night". Fabulous fun for the entire family in beautiful Queen's Park. 11:30AM – 3:30PM Admission: Free

Enjoy exciting roving entertainment, interactive community display booths and our celebrated 'Pick-a-Box' auction! The Canada Day fun doesn't stop in the afternoon, carry on to New Westminster's riverfront in the evening for an incredible firework display!

IN BURNABY

It's a fun day of family activities, face painting, music, arts and crafts, the ever popular bingo, cake, amazing multi-cultural entertainment and more. Edmonds Park is located behind the Edmonds Community Centre in southeast Burnaby. 11:00AM – 2:30PM Admission: Free

With the backdrop of 1920s village streets, join in the Canada Day at the Burnaby Village Museum (6501 Deer Lake Avenue) with entertainment, games, activities, a parade and of course, cake! Gates open from 11am-4:30pm. Admission is free and carousel rides are \$2.50.

New this year!! Burnaby's inaugural Canada Day Concert at Swangard Stadium. Headlining this family-friendly Canada Day concert will be Canadian Folk-Rock legends Spirit of the West. With a trio of Vancouver acts followed by a display of fireworks, this free event is the ideal way to celebrate Canada Day. **Doors: 5pm** Show: 6:15pm. Admission is free, limited to the first 4,200 patrons.





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What are your most important issues?		
Health care	Child care	
Electoral reform	Pollution & climate change	
Post-secondary education	Affordable housing	
Other		



Stand up for the CBC

The Conservatives are slashing our public broadcaster's budget by \$130 million. And the CBC's recent announcement that it will cut hundreds of jobs raises concerns over its very survival.

Since 1936, CBC and Radio-Canada have connected Canadians from coast to coast to coast. Our public broadcaster strengthens this country by giving voice to our cultural and linguistic realities—in ways that private broadcasters cannot be expected to do.

These cuts are only the latest attack on the CBC's survival and independence. Earlier, in 2012, the Conservatives cut another \$115 million over three years. Those cuts have already left the network more vulnerable than ever as the television market evolves quickly.

New Democrats have a better plan. Only stable, multi-year financing can protect the CBC from the turbulence of the advertising market—while maintaining its editorial freedom from Ottawa. That's the stable foundation the CBC needs to tackle new challenges, implement new technologies, and continue telling our stories in groundbreaking ways

Old-line parties leave the middle-class behind

"Under successive Liberal and Conservative governments, the middle classes have taken a whack relative to higher-income Canadians. That is what the data shows." —Thomas Walkom, Toronto Star (March 1, 2014)

Over the past 35 years, inequality in this country has exploded. While the richest 20 percent have done very well, the bottom 80 percent have seen our incomes fall.

That growing gap leaves a new generation of middle-class families teetering on the edge—buried under household debt and struggling to cope with the rising cost of living.

By now, we all know the Conservatives aren't interested in helping you out.

They're too busy handing tax giveaways to well-connected friends at big banks and oil companies.

But here's something you may not know: 94% of that rise in income inequality happened under Liberal governments. And with no concrete plan for the economy, Justin Trudeau clearly isn't ready to turn things around now.

Canadians can trust Tom Mulcair's NDP to deliver real change. And change starts with our plan to create good jobs, end consumer rip-offs and give families like yours a break

Principles for better health care

On April 1, Stephen Harper allowed the provincial Health Care Accord to expire. That means a \$36-billion funding cut and massive withdrawal of federal leadership. Canadians deserve better. That's why an NDP government would work with provinces to modernize Canadian health care, based on five principles:

- Collaborative federalism. We'll reverse the Conservatives' \$36-billion cut and build new agreements with provinces that recognize their jurisdiction in health care delivery—with federal leadership to modernize Medicare for a new century.
- Emphasize prevention. Understanding that healthy Canadians need less health care, we'll promote access to decent incomes, healthy food and housing people can afford.
- Put patients first. We'll work with provinces to promote modern health care delivery models that ensure access to the right provider, in the right place, at the right time—improving outcomes while lowering costs.
- Ensure better value. Ottawa's 2004 funding boost produced disappointing results. Looking forward, we'll work more closely with provinces as they set priorities—to ensure concrete improvements in managing and delivering care.
- Listen to the evidence. New health care reforms must be based on real needs, with funding targeted to proven initiatives. And helping provinces invest effectively requires long-term support for health care research

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