

Dear Residents of Cumberland Colchester

The first lesson I learned in politics is that there are Canadians who are not able to help themselves and who need a government that cares. I am learning it all over again. I believe that Canada is a wealthy country and that most Canadians agree that their governments should help those in need, including our veterans, the disabled and the infirm.

I also believe that government should be accountable and prudent with taxpayers' money. I believe that the Liberal Party of Canada represents these two criteria the best and that's why I am running as a Liberal.

As a double cancer survivor, I have been speaking out for years about how Atlantic Canada is shortchanged by the federal government funding agencies for cancer research. Ensuring that our region receives its fair share of healthcare funding and nothing less will continue to be part of my role.

Although my own cancer recovery was not without its challenges, research into early detection and advances in cancer treatments mean that I am now able to resume my former activities. I am grateful for being given a second chance and I do not intend to waste it.

Under the Harper government, Canada has fallen out of the top ten spenders in all research and development. No country can compete for jobs without a significant investment in these fields. Education and research will be a focus of mine when elected.

My approach to politics has always been to put the interests of my constituents and my province first in all matters. That will not change. You have the right to expect that your elected representative can and will represent your interests over all others. Representing the interests of my constituents and of my province will always prevail.

One of the reasons I am running again is the dramatic erosion of our democratic practices in Parliament. I will work with like-minded MPs from all parties who share my concerns about the diminished role for parliamentarians. The goal will be to restore the ability of MPs to represent their constituents as was always intended.

In the weeks ahead I will be outlining reasons why you might consider voting for me in the election scheduled for October 19.

Thank you

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