## THE RUDD REPORT

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#### Dear Friends,

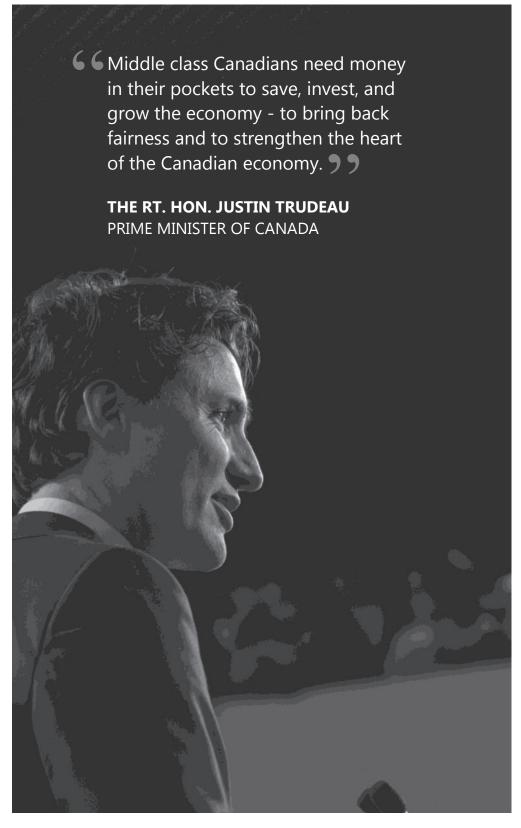
We've recently passed the seventh-month mark as a new government, and we've certainly begun a dynamic legislative agenda. Prime Minister Trudeau announced an increase of over \$100 million to the Canada Summer Jobs program, which supports the hiring of 72,000 students across Canada and provides valuable work experience to hundreds across Northumberland—Peterborough South.

As the first MP of this new riding, I was pleased to participate in preand post-budget meetings across Northumberland—Peterborough South, and was encouraged by the positive response from those in attendance. With the announcement of the refurbishment of Darlington's nuclear reactor, the region will be undergoing a major renaissance in economic development and employment. Our government stands behind evidence-based policy, supports clean technology to address climate change, and is committed to public engagement.

Another highlight was my recent trip to China leading the Canadian Trade delegation in my role as Parliamentary Secretary for the Minister of Natural Resources (with responsibility for the Nuclear file), where I gave the keynote speech at an international conference on nuclear technology. This brought together nuclear scientists, industry executives, senior government officials, and international energy leaders from across the Pacific Rim and Europe.

Thank you for all your support. I look forward to the coming months, when I'll be travelling around the riding on a "listening tour" to municipalities and organizations to discuss how we can work together to see this riding grow and prosper.

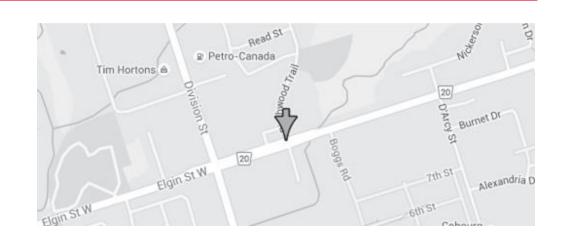




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## **Working For You**

#### **Trade Mission to China**

In my role as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Natural Resources, I led a trade delegation to China from April 4th through April 10th. I participated with the Organization of Canadian Nuclear Industries and attended the Pacific Basin Nuclear Conference. This event was attended by industry, government, and academic leaders from across Europe and the Pacific Rim.

While in China, I was the keynote speaker at the "Canada in Conversation" event, hosted by Canada's Ambassador to China, Guy Saint-Jacques and featuring panelists from Candu Energy, and Cameco Fuel Manufacturing. Additionally, I attended a reception at the Canadian Embassy in Beijing and cut the ribbon at the Pacific Basin Nuclear Conference at the Canadian Pavilion.

I believe strongly that it is of paramount importance to be promoting Canadian industry and expertise to our global partners. I will certainly be doing all I can to showcase Canada's vibrant energy possibilities.



#### **Canada Summer Job Grants**

I was so thrilled to be able to announce the Canada Summer Job Grants this month. Our government has increased this vital youth employment fund by over \$100 million. This has allowed us to fund 62 more organizations than the previous government in 2015. We've increased this riding's funding allotment from \$284,000 in 2015 to just under \$626,000 for 2016!

The program was oversubscribed by almost \$1.3 million, so we did extremely well with

the dollars we had to allocate.

Youth hired will receive up to 100% of the minimum hourly wage when working for an eligible not-for-profit, and up to 50% if hired by public or private sector employers.

Every corner of this riding will benefit from the Canada Summer Jobs Program. I'm proud to say we've increased the number of students who will be eligible for this program from 113 in 2015 to 248 in 2016. Well over 100 more students are being hired.

This program will provide 80,000 hours of employment for students across the riding.



## **Career Focus Funding**

I was so privileged to honour two leading not -for-profit agencies in our riding: Community Living West Northumberland and its EARN division, and the Northumberland Community Legal Centre. On behalf of Minister Mihychuk, Minister of Employment and Workforce Development & Labour, they were awarded \$98,635.00 and \$159,544, respectively.

Both agencies represent the best in supports to our community, and both agencies have years of exemplary service to the sectors they serve.

Community Living West Northumberland and its EARN subsidiary's mission is committed to providing quality support for people with disabilities to live, learn, and work as valued citizens in the community. They do this dayin and day-out in support of EARN's Stepping Stones to Employment Program.

The Northumberland Community Legal

Centre assists low-income people with a range of legal issues, including tenant's rights, Ontario Works, Ontario Disability, Canada Pension Plan, Workplace Safety & Insurance, Criminal Injuries Compensation, Employment Insurance, Employment Standards, and Human Rights. They recently celebrated their 25th anniversary in the community.

The Career Focus fund for employers and organizations is designed to deliver a range of activities that enable youth to make more informed career decisions and develop their skills

Career Focus aims to increase the supply of highly qualified workers, facilitate the transition of skilled young people to a rapidly changing labour market, promote the benefits of advanced studies, and to demonstrate federal leadership by investing in the skills required to meet the needs of the knowledge economy. This program will allow the Northumberland Legal Centre to hire

eight legal students in the Legal Clinic.



"It is my honour to serve, to the best of my ability, as the first Member of Parliament for this wonderful new riding." — Kim Rudd, MP

## Remarks to the House on Bill C-14

"Mr. Speaker, I'm here today to talk about an issue that touches the lives of every Canadian: how we die. It is not an issue we usually like to discuss, but with the Supreme Court's decision in the Carter case, it is now at the forefront of our government's political and health agenda.

On February 6, 2015, the Supreme Court of Canada unanimously declared that the criminal court prohibitions on physicianassisted dying were constitutionally invalid. Changes will come into effect on June 6 of this year. All governments are preparing to respond.

I firmly believe my own experiences with end -of-life care are not unique from those of thousands upon thousands of Canadians. Losing my grandfather John, my mother Gaye, and my aunt Babs is something that has never left me. These people were titans in my life. My mom and aunt Babs taught me everything I know about being passionate and determined, about giving of oneself to others, and about what it means to be a woman. They both had such a profound effect on every day of my life. I am here today because of their legacy of excellence.

Both of these women, who were so strong

and committed to family and community, were so harmed as human beings by diseases that ravaged them. I learned what it meant to sleep on the floor day after day because they were afraid to be alone. I learned how to administer morphine and Ativan and that, if they even whimpered, I was to give more, as that meant they were still being torn apart inside.

I learned how to raise or lower a home hospital bed. I learned how important palliative care is to have access to, but these are things I wish I had never had to learn. From all of them, I learned in those last days that there was no peace; there was only pain. There was no dignity, only terrible uncertainty. There was no nobility in their suffering. I learned pity.

I am proud to stand in the House today and express my support for this critical piece of legislation. Not only does it respond to the decision by the Supreme Court of Canada in terms of amending the Criminal Code, but it also provides an excellent framework to facilitate the necessary changes to our health care system, which responds to this decision. Our government has listened to Canadians. Our government has listened to the experts.

We have developed an approach that we believe reflects this input.

It's now time to move forward with this legislation so that individuals, families, and health professionals have more options for end-of-life care, including medical assistance in dying."

- May 3, 2016



## **Keeping Our Promises...**

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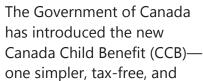
In December 2015, Finance Minister Bill Morneau introduced new legislation that will cut the second

personal income tax bracket to 20.5 percent from 22 percent.

To help pay for this middle class tax cut, the government is asking the wealthiest one percent of Canadians to contribute a little more by introducing a new tax bracket of 33 percent for individuals earning more than \$200,000 each year.

The middle class tax cut will provide roughly \$3.4 billion in annual tax reduction to nearly nine million Canadians. Single individuals who benefit will see an average tax reduction of \$330 every year, and couples who benefit will see an average tax reduction of \$540 every year.





more generous benefit, to help those families who need it most.

The Canada Child Benefit provides tax-free support to nine out of ten families and will help lift hundreds of thousands of children out of poverty. Nine out of ten Canadian families will

be better off with this new child benefit system.





In Budget 2016, the government implemented an historic plan to invest more than \$120 billion in

infrastructure over 10 years to help create jobs, foster long-term economic growth, and grow the middle class.

We will start with an immediate down payment on this plan, including:

- o More than \$3 billion to upgrade and improve public transit systems across Canada.
- o \$5 billion for investments in water, wastewater, and green infrastructure projects across Canada.
- o More than \$3 billion for social infrastructure, including affordable housing, early learning and child care, cultural and recreational infrastructure, and community health care facilities on reserve.

We'll continue to make available approximately \$3 billion each year for municipal infrastructure projects through the Gas Tax Fund and the incremental Goods and Services Tax Rebate for Municipalities.

We'll be accelerating spending from the \$9 billion in available funding under the New Building Canada Fund's Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component and other existing infrastructure programs.

We will also transfer remaining uncommitted funds from older federal infrastructure programs to municipalities through the Gas Tax Fund in 2016-17; this will ensure funds are directed towards high-priority municipal infrastructure projects.





Democratic Reform is an important pillar of our commitment to Canadians. As we modernize our

electoral system, I will be holding a Town Hall this summer to hear from you and look forward to your engagement.





As a signatory to COP21, Canada is a global leader in our commitment to reducing green house gases.

I look forward to speaking with you about how we work together to achieve our goals. Mission Innovation is another terrific example of international cooperation. This is a gamechanging global partnership of 20 countries that have committed to doubling their investment in clean energy research and technology over five years. For Canada, this will mean doubling federal funding from \$387 million to \$775 million by 2020.

#### **Office Services**

My team and I are here to help in cases where we are able to do so. While we can't give legal advice, we're here to help on case work that involves the federal government. We can also offer help in difficult cases with:

- Employment Insurance
- Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship
- Canada Revenue Agency
- Veterans Affairs
- Service Canada-related issues such as CPP, CPPD, OAS, and GIS

We can facilitate congratulatory letters from myself, the PM, or the Queen, for select special occasions (such as 100th birthdays).

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### Satellite Offices: Opening In September

Campbellford Community Resource Centre 65 Bridge St. E., Campbellford, ON

Brighton Community Resource Centre 1 Yonge St., Brighton, ON

Newcastle Community Hall 20 King St. W., Newcastle, ON

Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan 20 Third Street, Keene, ON

Hours of operation will be announced soon!

Satellite Offices will be by appointment only.



# What issues facing Canadians should the government focus on?

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