

# Keeping in Touch

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#### **TOWNHALL ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

August 2016

#### Dear Friends,

Global temperatures have already gone up about 0.85 degrees Celsius since 1880, and Canada's north is warming even more quickly. Climate models have shown that, to have a good chance of limiting global warming to 2 degrees Celsius, humanity will have to absorb as much greenhouse gas as is emitted by the end of this century.

We face a huge challenge—and we need YOUR ideas! That is why I am hosting an important town hall on Climate Change with my colleague, Peter Fragiskatos M.P.:

Wednesday, August 17, 2016
Wolf Performance Hall
Central Library (251 Dundas Street)
6:30pm to 8:30pm

Please RSVP to 519-473-5955

Guest Speaker: Dr. Gordon McBean,
Professor Emeritus, Western University and President, International Council for Science

At the consultation, participants will be asked to share ideas on the following themes:

- \* How and where to reduce emissions
- \* Ideas for new technology and job creation
  - \* How to put a price on carbon
- \* Preparing for the impacts of climate change
- \* General ideas on climate change reduction

I hope you will be able to join us for this important conversation.

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#### Canada can both protect the environment and grow the economy.

These goals are not at odds with each other—they go hand in hand. Supporting a clean growth economy will help Canada take advantage of new global opportunities. It will diversify our economy, open access to new markets, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create well-paying jobs. Climate change adaptation means changing our decisions, activities and thinking, due to observed or expected changes in the climate. Examples of adaptation include changing building standards and community development plans to take into account expected changes in weather and rising sea levels. Adaptation can save lives, reduce damage to create new opportunities, and lowers costs in the long term.

Town hall events give citizens the opportunity to share their views as Canada develops its plan for clean growth and climate change. The feedback from Canadians generated from town hall discussions will contribute to Canada's approach on climate change—an approach that will help our country meet or exceed our international emissions targets and ensure a more sustainable and prosperous future for Canada. Also, by sharing ideas about how to reduce and adapt to climate change, these town halls will, hopefully, inspire individual and community action at the local level.

If you are unable to participate in our local town hall meeting, you can still share your ideas by visiting **letstalkclimateaction.ca**. You can also write to Environment and Climate Change Canada, Climate Policy Office, 14th Floor, Fontaine Building, 200 Sacre-Coeur Blvd., Gatineau, QC, K1A 0H3.

A dialogue as important as this one benefits greatly from many local voices and perspectives as possible, so I am also reaching out to key stakeholders and constituents to encourage their involvement in these consultations. There is much to accomplish, and I am looking forward to reviewing the wealth of ideas and suggestions from our community in the weeks and months ahead.

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#### Are you satisfied with the direction of the Federal Government?

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O Jobs and the Economy O Seniors Programs and Services
O Youth Programs and Services O Veterans Programs

O Support for Middle Class Families O Infrastructure Investments

O The Environment and Climate Change O Arts and Culture

O Transit O Other (Please specify)

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