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Small Business Minister Visits Brampton Businesses

26/08/2019 – Brampton, Ontario – Ms. Ruby Sahota, Member of Parliament for Brampton North, welcomed the Honourable Mary Ng, Minister of Small Business and Export Promotion to Brampton to visit small businesses and meet with entrepreneurs and small business owners to talk about the ways the Government of Canada is supporting their success.

Minister Ng and MP Sahota's visit introduced them to many different types of small businesses throughout Brampton, including: Asian Food Centre, one of the largest South Asian grocery store chains in the GTA; HRWare, an innovative HR resource management solution company that is expanding and exporting thanks to funding from the CanExport Program; and Harbourside Fish and Chips, a family owned and run community staple.

Throughout the tour, Minister Ng spoke to these small business owners about the Government's many initiatives that are making it easier for them to do business, such as:

- lowering the small business tax rate to 9%, one of the lowest rates in the world;
- getting credit card companies to lower the fees they charge businesses when their customers use credit cards;
- launching the Canada Business app, which brings the world of government programs and services to your fingertips and provides helpful notifications;
- providing access to over a billion and a half new customers through trade deals like the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) and the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement, commonly called the new NAFTA; and
- reducing over 450 federal rules that impose an administrative burden on business.

“Small businesses make up 98% of all Canadian businesses and employ 8 million hard-working Canadians, including many in Brampton,” said MP Sahota. “Small businesses are the backbone of our economy and a critical focus of our government.”

“This is a small business–friendly government that is working hard to reduce red tape and make it easier for Canadian small business owners to start up, scale up and access new markets. When small businesses in communities across the country succeed, our economy grows, and middle-class jobs are created,” said Minister Ng.

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