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A MESSAGE FROM MP SAHOTA

Parliament began its new session on November 22 and I'm thrilled to be back in Ottawa advocating for you.

I will be fighting for greater affordability for families, more investment in Brampton, especially in our public transport, access to affordable housing, and greater environmental protections so we can fight against climate change.

Our government has already begun the important work to help move Canada forward. Keep an eye out for my

legislation series on social media where I provide overviews on the bills currently in the House. Stay up to date on my work in Parliament and right here in Brampton by signing up for my Weekly Updates. Everything you need to know will be sent right to your inbox every Friday!

Thank you again for entrusting me with the great privilege of representing you.

Sincerely,

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VACCINE UPDATE— CHILDREN AGED 5-11 NOW ELIGIBLE

Who is eligible?

Health Canada has recently approved the Pfizer vaccine for children aged 5-11 with a smaller dose than doses given to those aged 12+.

How do I book an appointment for myself or my child?

All residents of the Region of Peel can book an appointment at www.covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine or by calling 1-833-943-3900. A parent or legal guardian must accompany the child to provide consent. Alternatively, another trusted adult can take your child but you'll need to provide a signed consent form.

Are the vaccines safe?

The health and safety of our children is our highest priority and the Pfizer vaccine has been tested and shown to be both safe for children to take and effective at providing protection against COVID-19.

You can read more about the science behind vaccinations for children on our website here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/vaccination-children/covid-19.html>

Have more questions about the vaccine and how to prepare your child?

Visit <https://www.peelregion.ca/coronavirus/vaccine-children> to learn more



My 8 year old son Nihal got vaccinated too!

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE HIGHLIGHTS



We're finishing the fight against COVID-19 by procuring more vaccines to fully vaccinate every Canadian, including our children and working with international partners to help the world get vaccinated.



Our government will invest to tackle healthcare waitlists and strengthen our healthcare system so it works better for everyone, particularly seniors, veterans, vulnerable persons, and those living in rural areas.



We will build on our success of bringing employment back to pre-pandemic levels by investing in our still struggling industries and supporting further job creation and growth.



We know that immigration is good for our economy and we are committed to increasing our immigration numbers and decreasing wait times.



We will continue negotiating with the Ontario government to bring \$10/day childcare to Ontario and make sure our province doesn't fall behind.



Our affordable housing plan remains a priority for our government, including constructing and renovating new homes, creating new financial incentives for first-time home buyers, and creating a rent-to-own program.



Our government is fighting against climate change. We are committing to protecting biodiversity, creating a Canada Water Agency, capping oil and gas emissions, and investing more in zero-emission vehicles.



There is no greater relationship than the one between us and Canada's Indigenous peoples. We will continue to implement the Calls to Action, build a monument to recognize residential school survivors, create a Special Interlocutor to further advance justice on residential schools, and advance an Indigenous mental health strategy.



All Canadians deserve to feel safe. Fighting systemic racism, sexism, discrimination, misconduct, and abuse, including in our core institutions, will remain a key priority. The Government will also continue to reform the criminal justice system and policing.

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FALL ECONOMIC STATEMENT HIGHLIGHTS



Investing in Canadians' Health



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MP Sahota's
**ECONOMIC
UPDATE**



Thanks to the hard work of Canadians, we've surpassed our goal of **1 million jobs**, bringing us back to pre-pandemic job levels. Just this November, Canada's job market created over **154,000 jobs**, which brings Canada's unemployment down to **6%**- the lowest its been since the start of the pandemic! Canada **has recovered 106% of jobs** lost compared to only 80% in the USA.

In more good news, **Canada's GDP has increased by 5.4%**, which is far beyond the initial growth forecast and well ahead of our allies including Japan, the UK, and Australia. Canada remains well below similar countries when it comes to inflation, with the USA experiencing 6.2% inflation, Germany having 6% and Canada coming in well below at **4.7%**.

As our government continues to invest in the economy, we know that we will continue to strengthen Canada's economic situation. **Together, we can keep Canada's economy moving forward- for everyone.**



Booster shots
now available
for those aged
50+

If you are aged 50+, you are now eligible for a COVID-19 booster shot!

Getting a booster dose will provide an extra layer of protection against COVID-19 and its variants. You can book your appointment through the following:

- **COVID-19 vaccination portal:** <https://covid19.ontariohealth.ca/>
- **Calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre** at 1-833-943-3900 (TTY 1-866-797-0007)
- **Select pharmacies:** <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/vaccine-locations>

Advocating for
**AFFORDABLE
CHILDCARE**



Ontario families pay some of the highest childcare costs in the country, especially now as every other province has signed onto our \$10 a day childcare plan.

Affordable childcare is crucial to cut up to \$15,989 in fees for Brampton families and help all parents return to work if they choose.

Ontario families deserve affordable childcare and we're continuing to work hard to achieve it.

If you care about affordable childcare, reach out to your Ontario MPP today and make your voice heard. We hope that by the time this newsletter reaches your door, a deal will have already been made.



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