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## Community Newsletter



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Dear Constituent,

Since our last newsletter the House of Commons has been busy. My colleagues and I continue to focus on the affordability crisis by introducing motions to push the Liberal government to take concrete steps to provide relief to Canadians by lowering taxes.

Given that affordability is a key focus, my colleagues put forward a motion to call on the Liberal government to commit to no new taxes on gas, groceries, home heating and pay cheques. Unfortunately, the Liberals, NDP, Bloc, and Greens opposed the motion, preventing its passage on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The full text of the motion and vote breakdown can be found here:

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/members/en/votes/44/1/182?view=party>

In the same vein, the issue of increased home-heating costs has been a hot topic, especially for seniors on a fixed income. Given that energy analysts have predicted that Canadians could see their home heating bills rise by 50 to 100 percent on average this winter, my Conservative colleagues and I put forward another motion to exempt all forms of home heating fuel from the carbon tax. Like the previous motion, this did not pass as most Liberals, NDP, and Bloc voted against it on October 24<sup>th</sup>. The full text of the motion and vote breakdown can be found here:

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/members/en/votes/44/1/197?view=party>

Further, all parties supported an NDP motion to support the investigation into the causes for high food prices for Canadians: <https://www.ourcommons.ca/members/en/votes/44/1/189?view=party>.

My interjections during debate on this motion can be viewed here:

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/DocumentViewer/en/44-1/house/sitting-109/hansard#Int-11844541>

On the good news front, Bill C-30 received Royal Assent on October 18<sup>th</sup> and is now law, this bill gives a temporary boost to the GST Tax Credit and HST Sales Tax Credit. Additionally, Bill C-22, which establishes the Canada disability benefit passed second reading unanimously in the House of Commons and has moved on to the committee stage.

I was also fortunate to attend multiple riding events and had the opportunity to recognize outstanding constituents for their contributions to our community including making more Platinum Jubilee coin presentations. I spoke at the Grey County Federation of Agriculture AGM on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Several key issues were highlighted including fertilizer tariffs, the carbon tax, and mental health.

I also got to congratulate community groups such as the Bruce Peninsula Sportsman Association on their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As always, if you would like to request a congratulatory certificate for an

important milestone, visit my website and fill out the form here:  
<https://www.alexruffmp.ca/congratulatory-certificates>.

As always, if you have any issues of federal concerns, feel free to contact my office.

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## Monthly Survey Question



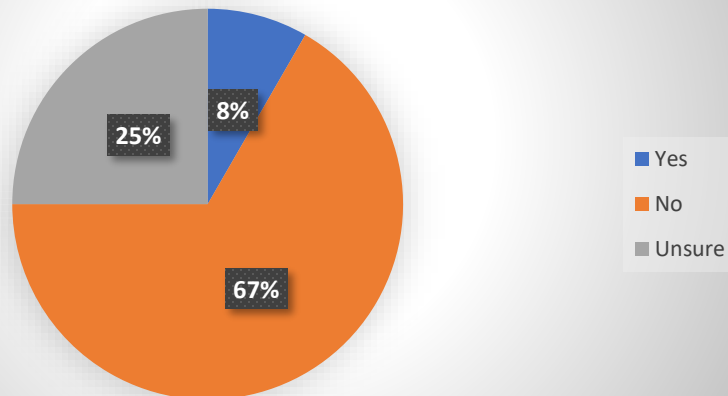
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This month's new question is:

Do you support the recently proposed Liberal amendment to Bill C-21 (Handgun freeze) to now include a ban on the majority of semi-automatic hunting rifles?

### Last Month's Response:

Given that the carbon tax is set to triple in the coming years from \$50/tonne to \$170/tonne, do you receive more from the Climate Action Incentive than you pay in carbon tax annually?



# Alex in the Media



To check out my interjections in the House of Commons, other videos, and local news, click [here](#).

CFOS Open Line (7 Nov 2022) <https://www.560cfos.ca/2022/11/07/the-open-line-with-claire-mccormack-83/>

Subjects discussed included Remembrance Day, Canadian Armed Forces recruitment, carbon tax, pipelines, ArriveCAN scandal, CBC, hybrid parliament, and more.

My website features my previous press releases, videos, and CFOS 560 Open Line podcasts. Check it out [here](#).

To view all my interjections in the House of Commons, [click here](#).

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# Community Outreach



Recognizing Grace Williams with a Platinum Jubilee award for her service to RCLBranch 144 Chesley and the community. (13 Oct 2022)



Speaking at the Grey County Federation of Agriculture AGM (13 Oct 2022)



Celebrating Blanche Henderson's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party. (15 Oct 2022)



Congratulating the Bluewater Outdoor Education Centre for 50 years of education and conservation. (16 Oct 2022)



Congratulating the Bruce Peninsula Sportsman Association on 60 years of community conservation in hunting, angling, fish protection, tree planting & more. (17 Oct 2022)

## Additional Resources



### Tourism Relief Fund in southern Ontario

Application period closes November 28, 2022, 4:59 p.m. ET.

[https://www.feddevontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h\\_02650.html?OpenDocument](https://www.feddevontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h_02650.html?OpenDocument)

### Ukraine Sovereignty Bonds

For more information, visit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/programs/financial-sector-policy/ukraine-sovereignty-bond.html>

### Financial Literacy Month

Visit for more information on managing your money during this inflationary period:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency/campaigns/financial-literacy-month.html>

### Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership

Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership aims to build stronger communities through awareness, outreach, inclusion, and equity to ensure immigrants and newcomers become welcome neighbours throughout Grey and Bruce Counties. More information can be found here: <https://greybrucelip.ca/>

### Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce

Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce is a not-for-profit organization that supports newcomers, immigrants, and refugees with their settlement needs. More information can be found here:

<https://welcominggreybruce.ca/>

## YMCA Settlement and Language Services

YMCA Settlement and Language Services offers a number of services to newcomers. The program offers a central place to help you feel more connected to your new community through many resources and partnerships with other local service agencies. More information can be found here: <https://www.ymcaowensound.on.ca/community-initiatives/settlement-language-services-programs/>

## Passport Canada Service Standards

Due to the high volumes of requests, passport processing times are higher than usual, check expected wait times here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/canadian-passports.html>



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