

Dear Jeremy,

That's a wrap! The month of June has flown by and we have officially reached the end of the Parliamentary session with the House of Commons set to return on September 19, 2022. I am looking forward to spending more time in the constituency and engaging with you throughout the summer at various events across the riding! Please be sure to let me know if you are hosting an event and would like me to attend!

This past month has been rather turbulent in Parliament, with the Trudeau Government ramming various pieces of legislation through the House of Commons with limited debate. The Liberals, together with the support of the NDP, were able to silence MPs from discussing highly problematic bills through the use of time allocation, where they suspended debate prematurely.

For example, the Liberals limited debate on Bill C-11 in the House of Commons and sent it to the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage. At committee, we heard from various witnesses who expressed their grave concerns with the Bill, which is why Conservative MPs called for more time to analyze its impact on freedom of speech. Instead, the Liberals decided to shut down the debate and force a vote.

These actions continued with other legislation such as Bill C-21, Bill C-5, and the federal budget. Throughout the month of June, we witnessed the slow erosion of democracy right before our eyes as duly elected Members of Parliament were limited from speaking. It is my hope that the Liberals will change course when we return in the fall and begin respecting the institution of Parliament.

Despite all this, I was able to maintain my position as an outspoken MP who stood up for the interests of my constituents. If you would like to see what I have all done in Parliament over the past year, please click here: https://jeremypatzer.com/2021-2022-in-parliament-1

## Introducing the Unlocking Innovation Act



Click on the image above to watch me introduce my Private Members Bill, the Unlocking Innovation Act.

Earlier this month, I had the opportunity to table my first Private Member's Bill, Bill C-294, the Unlocking Innovation Act. When I was first elected, I heard from many equipment manufacturers and agriculture producers that they were being held back by copyright laws surrounding interoperability.

In response to this, and following months of consultation, I tabled Bill C-294 which seeks to amend Canada's copyright law in order to provide a clear and limited exemption for consumers and future innovators to enjoy the benefits of interoperability. The Bill will be up for debate for the first time in the Fall of 2022. While it hasn't passed yet, this is a big win for producers and manufacturers whose success was previously held back by current copyright law.

# **Ethical Government**

Just last week we learned of possible political interference by the Minister of Public Safety in an ongoing cross-border investigation following the Nova Scotia mass shooting in 2020. While more details are still being released, it is becoming increasingly clear that the Liberal Government used this tragedy to further their own political agenda and attack law-abiding firearm owners. In fact, Conservative MPs have already successfully called a meeting at the Standing Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness to study this issue and get to the bottom of it. Multiple people such as Minister Blair will be testifying at this committee meeting in the summer, and we hope that we can get a clear picture of what happened.

This comes in the midst of revelations that Minister Mendicino willfully misled the House of Commons on the events surrounding the invocation of the Emergencies Act. He claimed on multiple occasions that the police asked for the Emergencies Act. However, when the police were testifying at Committee we learned that this was in fact not the case. Willfully misleading the House of Commons is no small matter, and as such, Conservatives MPs have been calling on Minister Mendicino to resign.

Conservative MPs value ethical government and will be sure to hold the government to account for these breaches of trust.

#### **Conservative Accomplishments**

This past session, Conservatives have tabled a number of bills, which focused on making life easier for you. Here are a few of them:

 Bill C-234, which seeks to remove the carbon tax from onfarm fuels; Bill C-266. which removes the escalator tax

on alcohol; Bill C-230, which protects the freedom of conscience for healthcare professionals; Bill C-257, which protects you from political discrimination; Bill C-269, which enacts а 9-8-8 suicide hotline.



Bill C-234 will exempt the carbon tax from on-farm fuels (photo submitted by Randi Ellis of Hazlet)

### **Vaccine Mandates**

The month of June also saw the suspension of all mandates for travel and federal workers. This came following months of pressure from the opposition MPs to drop the mandates, including the petition which I was able to present in the House of Commons. Thank you to each and every one of you who signed this petition.



That said, Conservative MPs recognize that a suspension of a measure is not enough and we will continue to call on the government to completely scrap mandates and all other border measures such as the ArriveCAN App.

### Happy Canada Day

I want to wish everyone a happy Canada Day, as we come together to celebrate the greatest country in the world!

As I engage with the constituents of Cypress Hills—Grasslands, I am constantly reminded that a country is not defined by any government or representative, but rather by its people. It is for this reason that I have a great deal of hope and faith in our country. Even though times are tough, I would still encourage you to go out into your community and proudly celebrate your Canadian identity.

I would also like to wish you an enjoyable and safe summer, and I hope that our paths will cross as I am traveling around the constituency.

In your service,



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