

MPP, Laura Smith "Our Champion" in Ontario's Parliament Representing Thornhill, Ontario

In 2022, MPP, Laura Smith entered the world of politics with a mission: to drive meaningful policy change and advocate for the people of Thornhill, Ontario. With extensive real-life experience, she committed herself to improving quality of life, supporting vulnerable communities, and fostering safer environments.

One of the driving forces behind her political journey was her personal experience witnessing the growing challenges faced by university students, including her own children.

Championing Student Safety: Motion 90

Determined to address incidents of hate including antisemitism on campus, one of Laura's first initiatives as an elected official was introducing Motion 90. This motion alled for greater accountability from colleges and universities to ensure student safety and protection from hate-related incidents.

After its successful passage, Motion 90 is now being actively implemented, offering much-needed relief and security to students facing discrimination and targeted hate.

Strengthening Public Safety: Bill 138

On December 4, 2024, Laura Smith presented Bill 138, a crucial step in reinforcing Christopher's Law and enhancing community safety. Working alongside her colleague MPP, Laurie Scott, she played a pivotal role in strengthening measures to protect the public from convicted sex offenders attempting to evade accountability.

Now embedded within the Safer Streets, Stronger Communities Act, Bill 138 ensures:

- No name changes for registered sex offenders, ensuring accountability.
- Enhanced monitoring to strengthen public safety.
- Stricter protections to prevent offenders from evading past convictions.

This landmark legislation is a bold step forward in crime prevention and public accountability, reinforcing Ontario's commitment to safer communities.

Advancing Dementia Care: Bill 121

Having experienced the impact of dementia within her own family, Laura Smith has long been an advocate for improved dementia care and support systems. Her dedication led to the introduction of Bill 121: The Improving Dementia Care in Ontario Act, 2024—a ground breaking initiative aimed at enhancing care standards and providing relief to families and caregivers.

Key components of Bill 121 include:

- Establishing a provincial framework to enhance care across healthcare providers and families.
- Reviewing PSW standards to ensure they are equipped to meet the needs of dementia patients.
- Offering support to families and caregivers facing emotional and physical challenges

With this initiative, Laura Smith is paving the way for a more compassionate and comprehensive healthcare system, ensuring that Ontario's aging population receives the quality care they deserve.

A Second Mandate: Economic Leadership and Advocacy

Following her re-election on February 27, 2025, Laura Smith remains steadfast in her commitment to serving the people of Thornhill.

Throughout her campaign, one of the most pressing concerns raised by residents was economic stability. Many businesses are facing financial challenges due to new U.S.-imposed taxes, threatening jobs and economic growth. Recognizing the urgency of this issue, Laura Smith is working closely with Premier Doug Ford to advocate for Ontario businesses, ensuring that negotiations with the U.S. protect local industries and minimize economic impact.

Looking Ahead: A Vision for Thornhill's Future

As she embarks on her second term, Laura Smith's top priority remains supporting families in Thornhill. She is committed to addressing community concerns, strengthening local policies, and ensuring a prosperous future for her constituents.

Grateful for the unwavering support she has received, Laura continues to be a champion for positive change—a tireless advocate for the people of Thornhill and beyond.

Laura Smith remains dedicated to serving her community and driving meaningful progress for the people of Thornhill.