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JUNE 2018: CELEBRATING DAVENPORT'S DIVERSITY

Dear friends and neighbours,

With the warm weather finally here, we're lucky to have so many ways to celebrate our community and its incredible diversity.

Last month, I co-hosted an Immigration Town Hall at Oakwood Library with the Hon. Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship. The Minister spoke about the significant improvements our government has made to the immigration system, how immigration eases the effects of Canada's declining birthrate and increasing retirement, and the myths about those who seek asylum at our borders. To be clear: the regular and asylum immigration processes are different. They each have separate resources, and one does not interfere with the other.

I also had the pleasure of joining Prime Minister Justin Trudeau in

welcoming Portuguese Prime Minister António Costa to Canada. They both expressed their pride in June being recognized as Portuguese Heritage Month (and June 10 as Portugal Day in Canada) for the first time at the national level, and together, we visited Portuguese businesses and the broader Portuguese diaspora in Toronto.

This month, I will be spending my weekends at several fairs and festivals in our community. I'm looking forward to marching in both the Pride and Portugal Day Parades again this year, and I want to encourage you to join me in taking advantage of the exciting events taking place throughout our riding. For a list of events, please visit my website at jdzerowicz.liberal.ca.

Julie Dzerowicz
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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10 - Portugal Day Parade
BLOOR & LANSDOWNE • 11 AM - 1 PM

June 23 - Day Avenue Street Festival
DUFFERIN & ST. CLAIR • 12 PM START

June 23/24 - Fairbank Summerfest
EGLINTON W OF DUFFERIN • SAT 12 - 11 PM • SUN 12 - 9 PM

June 24 - Toronto Pride Parade
BLOOR & CHURCH • 2 PM

Go to the 'upcoming events' tab on my website juliedzerowicz.ca for more details.



With Ken Robertson at an
Indigenous Affairs Roundtable



At Toronto Pride with Prime Minister Justin
Trudeau and fellow MPs



With Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and
Prime Minister António Costa

>> Read page two to learn what our government is doing to support Canadian arts and culture.
Fill out the feedback form on page two to let me know your thoughts about our federal government's progress.

CHAMPIONING CANADIAN ARTS AND CULTURE



ANNOUNCING FUNDING FOR MOCA WITH THE HON. MÉLANIE JOLY, MINISTER OF CANADIAN HERITAGE.

Davenport is fortunate to have a such strong group of artists, creators and innovators. They help us to better understand ourselves and the world that we live in.

Artists and cultural workers make a significant contribution to our economy. In 2014, the industry employed over 630,000 Canadians and contributed \$54.6 billion to Canada’s economy. Our federal government recognizes the economic, social, and cultural benefits of this industry, and continues to support the restoration and construction of our treasured libraries, museums, galleries, and theatres to ensure our cultural industry keeps thriving.

Last year, our Minister of Canadian Heritage, the Honourable Mélanie Joly, announced \$5.1 million for the Museum of Contemporary (MOCA) through the Cul-

tural Spaces Fund. This funding has helped with renovations to the museum’s new home in the iconic Tower Automotive Building here in Davenport! I’m so excited for MOCA to open (Fall 2018), and I know it will be a popular destination for families to discover the arts in their own community and for artists to share their talents and perspectives with the world.

I regularly meet with leaders from the Davenport and Toronto arts community. I sit on the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage, and it was these leaders who recommended our committee commence a study about gender parity on the boards and senior leadership levels of Canadian artistic and cultural organizations. This study is now underway and I am so proud to credit the talented, hard-working arts community in Davenport for their idea. The Canadian Heritage committee is also currently studying the state of Canadian museums, cultural hubs and cultural districts in Canada, and remuneration models for artists and creative industries in the context of the Copyright Act.

If you have any questions about our federal government’s support of artists and creators, please reach out to my office.

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Yes, I would like to receive email updates and invites to upcoming events from MP Julie Dzerowicz.

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How can we better support our artists and creators?

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