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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 local Indigenous leader Ken Robertson at the Davenport Indigenous 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 ensure every Canadian has the opportunity to succeed. Fill out the feedback form on page two to let me know your thoughts about our federal government's progress.

ENSURING EVERY CANADIAN HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED



GREETING DAVENPORT FAMILIES AT MY ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Davenport families have told me they struggle with the high cost of living in downtown Toronto. To better support Canadian families, our federal government introduced the Canada Child Benefit. As a result, 9 out of 10 Canadian families receive more money and 300,000 children have been lifted out of poverty. We've also invested of \$7.5 billion over 11 years to create more affordable, high-quality childcare spaces and through Budget 2018, we've introduced a new 'use it or lose it' parental benefit that will give families up to eight weeks more in parental benefits if new fathers/second spouses take parental leave.

Post-secondary education should be accessible to everyone. Our federal government is increasing Canada Student Grants by 50% and announced that graduates won't have to start repaying their student loan until they make at least \$25,000 per year. We're also doubling the number of job placements funded under the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program so students can develop the skills they need for the

future and acquire the job experience they need to succeed. With over \$520K in funding from the Canada Summer Jobs program, our federal government is creating 138 jobs for students in Davenport this summer.

There are a number of long standing inequities that have resulted in less women in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields. Women can face discrimination, an absence of mentors, among many other barriers. On average, women who graduate from STEM fields earn \$9,000 a year less than their male peers. To ensure women have the same opportunities to succeed, our government is investing \$15 million over five years to implement programs that support improved equality and diversity in academia at post-secondary institutions, including improved support for women, underrepresented groups and early-career researchers.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to email me at julie.dzerowicz@parl.gc.ca.

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How can we better ensure every Canadian succeeds?

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