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## MP Julie Dzerowicz Response to Calls for More Funding for Child Care

Davenport friends and neighbours,

Thank you to all of the Davenport residents who forwarded me the proposal from Toronto Community for Better Child Care and Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care, which calls for more funding to ensure more families have affordable child care options and more Early Childhood Educators and child care workers have decent work.

More child care has been a priority for our riding, and a personal priority for me as your MP, for years. Our federal Liberal government understands that we cannot have a robust and fair economic recovery from this pandemic without improving access to child care. It is essential to supporting kids and parents, and to making sure women are not being pushed out of the workforce.

Last year we introduced the [Safe Restart Agreement](#), a \$19B investment in municipal and provincial services which had been impacted by the pandemic. It includes funding for testing, contact tracing, health care, support for long-term care and vulnerable populations, city budgets, public transit, PPE, and child care for returning workers. We understand that child care is an essential priority—Ontario's child care allocation was \$234 million.

I am also very proud that our Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister, Chrystia Freeland, has indicated that a national child care program is a priority, in both the [Speech from the Throne](#) in September and the [Fall Economic Statement](#) in November 2020.

For more on this, [you can click here to watch my question on child care](#) to Minister Freeland at Finance Committee on March 11, 2021.

I will continue to be a strong advocate until national child care becomes a reality across Canada.

Very best,

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Member of Parliament  
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