

Candidate for Member of Parliament
My Federal Riding
Canada

November, 2000

Dear Candidate,

I need you to know that Child Care is a vital issue for me in the upcoming federal election.

How I vote on November 27th will depend on which candidate pledges to take my message to Ottawa:

- There must be a national child care plan NOW - we have the money, let's invest it in our children.
- Child care must be high quality, affordable, publicly funded, accessible and accountable.
- Tax cuts do not create any new child care spaces for children.

As a candidate for my Member of Parliament you should know that:

- Over 70% of Canadian women with young children are in the labour force.
- There are 5 million children aged 0-12 in Canada, but we have regulated child care spaces for less than 500,000 of them.
- Research proves that for every dollar we invest in stimulating and nurturing care for children in their early years, there is at least a two dollar return in later years.

If elected, I urge you to the make Child Care a priority in Ottawa.

Please let me know where you stand on this issue.

Name (signature) _____ (print) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ FAX _____