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Dear Parliamentarians,

On behalf of AstraZeneca Canada, I would like to congratulate you on your recent election as a Member of Parliament.

As one of Canada's leading biopharmaceutical companies, we strive to deliver great medicines to patients through innovative science and by pushing the boundaries of what is possible.

We also recognize that managing disease can't be done through medicine alone. Together, with policy makers like yourselves, health care professionals, academia, patient and professional groups, and important collaborators like Research Canada, we can develop solutions to help tackle the challenges of effectively preventing and treating disease.

AstraZeneca Canada has roughly 690 employees across Canada, including 300 employees at our head office in Mississauga. Together we are dedicated to making a meaningful difference in the lives of patients through our life-changing medicines, with a particular focus on oncology, respiratory, diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

We know that success in medical innovation requires leadership, collaboration and investment in world-class research. Over the past two years, we have significantly expanded our Canadian research footprint, including entering into a landmark global research partnership with the world-renowned Montreal Heart Institute that will advance personalized health care in cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

We are also actively supporting the national FORGE AHEAD research program, focused on finding practical ways to address the urgent, unmet medical need of chronic disease care, particularly diabetes care, in First Nations communities.

Clinical research is a critical step in the development of new, innovative medicines. We are proud to have been recently designated an Oncology clinical hub within AstraZeneca globally, playing an integral role in advancing our clinical program in lung, head and neck, and pancreatic cancer. Our clinical research team has grown by 300 percent over the past two years, employing 120 employees.

We look forward to meeting with you and congratulate you once again on your critical role as a Member of the Parliament of Canada.

Kind regards,



Lisa Marsden
Vice-President, Patient Access & Established Brands
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