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RE: The Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants (CAPIC) Congratulates Pierre Poilievre on Winning the Battle River-Crowfoot Byelection

Dear Mr. Poilievre:

On behalf of CAPIC, I congratulate you on your recent Battle River-Crowfoot By-election victory.

CAPIC has the pleasure of working with your Conservative colleagues in the immigration field. They are familiar with CAPIC as a key stakeholder in immigration and citizenship policy development. Currently, CAPIC represents over 4400 immigration and citizenship consultants, also known as RCICs, who support newcomers seeking to work, study, visit, or move to Canada.

Immigration is central to Canadian identity and economic growth. To meet the <u>objectives</u> of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, SC 2001, c. 27 (IRPA), Canada needs a balanced, safeguarded immigration system and effective business immigration programs.

Addressing unauthorized practitioners is vital to protect the integrity of Canada's immigration system. As the voice of the RCICs, CAPIC has been advocating for ethical and competent practice and providing recommendations to protect the <u>integrity</u> of the system. For example, we suggested separate forms for authorized and non-authorized representatives and including a question on all immigration applications about third-party assistance.

As a leader in immigration, CAPIC recognized the drawbacks of the stagnation of business immigration. We have developed a redesign for Canada's <u>business</u> <u>immigration programs</u> (BIPs) through thorough research.

On April 21, CAPIC published an <u>open letter</u> to political party leaders on page three of *The Hill Times*. The letter outlined key recommendations of Canada's BIPs:



- Modern, Sector-Focused Federal BIP Streams: Introduce federal BIP streams aligned with Canada's long-term economic goals, including critical infrastructure and housing contributors, export-oriented entrepreneurs, and green economy ventures.
- Refinement of Existing Programs: Strengthen programs and pathways under the International Mobility Program, establishing clear paths to permanent residence based on successful business experience and provincial nominations.
- Risk-Based Net Worth Verification: Implement a tiered risk-based verification model to maintain program integrity while reducing unnecessary barriers for qualified applicants and expediting processing times.
- Performance Metrics and Monitoring: Establish clear performance metrics and monitoring systems to track outcomes and ensure transparency.

I hope to arrange a meeting with you in the coming weeks to further discuss new strategies on immigration that will help maintain the integrity of the system and build a strong and prosperous Canada.

Once again, congratulations on your Battle River-Crowfoot By-election victory. I look forward to the opportunity to connect.

Sincerely,

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