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Haldimand - Norfolk



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Promoting Jobs and Business Development

The world is increasingly becoming a single economic unit, and businesses are making decisions on a global level instead of at the local community level. In addition to this large cities appear to be getting larger while small towns in Ontario are comparatively becoming smaller.

This makes it increasingly hard to sustain and grow local communities in the face of competitive pressures in the marketplace. The role of an MP is give the competitive edge to his/her riding as it competes for new jobs and government projects. As such, I will actively work to bring new corporate businesses to the communities in Haldimand-Norfolk.

Renewed Infrastructure

High paying jobs can be gained through Government sponsored infrastructure renewal programs. Complete details can be found on my Infrastructure report for Haldimand-Norfolk which includes widening Highway 24 from Highway 403 to Simcoe. Haldimand County has fairly good access to Hamilton and thus to Toronto or the USA. Norfolk, however, is limited by old county roads and the distance to large markets. Therefore, the widening of Highway 24 from 403 to Simcoe would provide a faster access to those markets.

Another key project is the installation of the water pipeline throughout Haldimand-Norfolk to bring clean water to both communities and to the Six Nations and Mississauga New Credit Reserves.

In order to increase incentives for infrastructure renewal I will lobby the federal government to change the tax code to allow businesses and individuals to make tax deductible donations to local municipalities for infrastructure projects. Please see my position paper, '*Taxation – the People's Money*' for complete details.

Lawlessness kills Jobs

Canadians take for granted that laws will be upheld and that the justice system will allow the economy to function in a predictable manner. Unfortunately, this is no longer true in Haldimand County. It has become apparent to Haldimand County – and neighbouring communities such as Brantford that ongoing lawlessness brings economic disaster. The law breakers have been emboldened by politically-correct tolerance of their crimes while law abiding residents and businesses face bankruptcy, intimidation and physical harm. No business will expand their operations or move into an area where police and government will allow their investment to be taken over or destroyed by a small group of radicals.

The enforcement of law & order brings stability which, in turn, brings jobs and development. No greater proof of this is a multi-million dollar housing development in Cayuga that was shut down due to a handful of protesters who believed the police would never arrest them. The developer faced bankruptcy, and those who put down payments on their future dream homes faced endless delays.

The developer went to the OPP to make them his agent to ensure development could continue but after weeks of shutdown the builder realized that there was no one in the OPP or government that was prepared to uphold the laws of Canada.

In June 2008, as the Executive Director of CANACE – Canadian Advocates for Charter Equality – I led a team that documented the illegal actions of the protesters and filed criminal charges against them. On July 8, 2008 in Cayuga a Justice of the Peace signed criminal charges against the Protesters for Extortion, Mischief and Intimidation. This development in Cayuga has been building without any protests or illegal occupations since our involvement.

I will work to bring Jobs to Haldimand-Norfolk

One of my first priorities will be to meet with the Mayors of Haldimand and Norfolk to help develop a business plan for growing new jobs. I will have my team help create promotional material, PowerPoint presentations and corporate literature to promote the benefits of moving corporate businesses to Haldimand-Norfolk. The city of Vaughan, just north of Toronto, started an aggressive campaign to attract businesses away from Toronto which has been overwhelmingly successful. There is no reason why a systematic campaign to attract new business to Haldimand-Norfolk would not see similar benefits.

I will work hard with MPP Toby Barrett as the provincial counterpart to ensure that Haldimand-Norfolk is promoted within both levels of Government. As an MP, I can help open doors to the corporate world for presentations by Haldimand-Norfolk to attract jobs to the area. There are many advantages for a corporation to local an office in smaller communities and those advantages need the backing of your elected MP and the resources of his office to promote them.

When faced with a choice of spending another day in Ottawa listening to childish banter during Question Period or being in a corporate meeting in Toronto supporting Haldimand-Norfolk's presentation to corporate leaders, I will choose to fight for new jobs for my riding instead of trying to gain a few political brownie points during Question Period.

Yes, as an MP my job definitely includes speaking out in Ottawa but, primarily, you expect results and when it comes to job creation that is done through the private sector. At the end of my term, I hope you can grade me on the number of jobs that came to the riding and not by the amount of political posturing during Question Period.

Summary

Haldimand-Norfolk needs infrastructure investment – especially in its roads. Haldimand County has fairly good access to Hamilton and thus to Toronto or the USA. Norfolk, however, is limited by old county roads and the distance to large markets. Therefore, the widening of Highway 24 from 403 to Simcoe would provide a faster access to those markets. A new water pipeline would provide clean and cheap water to both residents and businesses throughout Haldimand-Norfolk. The high paying jobs created by both of these infrastructure projects would provide hundred of thousands of hours of labour along with all the spin off work that comes with such projects.

Economic prosperity requires the predictability and stability of the rule of law which has been missing from Haldimand for more than two years. If businesses cannot find stability and infrastructure in Haldimand-Norfolk then they will move to other communities.

I have dedicated the last two years of my life to restoring the rule of law in Haldimand and giving hope to the innocent victims of race-based policing. As your MP I will dedicate the next five years to promoting infrastructure development and restoring your confidence in the democratic institutions that are supposed to protect you and our economy.