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MP Kramp: Seniors deserve special day

Belleville, Ontario – Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings, welcomes today’s announcement by Minister of State Ablonczy and Senator Fortin-Duplessis that the Government of Canada is taking steps to create a National Seniors Day, with the tabling of Bill C-40, “*Celebrating Canada’s Seniors Act*”.

“Canada’s seniors are the ones who built our country”, said Mr. Kramp. “They deserve our gratitude. National Seniors Day will give us all a special day to reflect on the contributions of seniors in our communities, in our families and across the nation”.

The *Celebrating Canada’s Seniors Act* proposes October 1 as National Seniors Day and it will be a day for all Canadians to celebrate members of our society who have contributed so much to Canada’s past, present and future. The date of October 1st also coincides with the UN’s International Day of Older Persons.

“I have been a long- time advocate for officially recognizing seniors’ impressive contributions”, added Mr. Kramp. “They are truly the heart of our communities”.

Some examples of the Government of Canada’s commitment to seniors include:

- Appointing a Minister of State (Seniors)-someone who can bring the concerns of older Canadians to the attention of the Government and stand up on their behalf;
- Providing significant tax relief to seniors and pensioners through measures such as income splitting and increasing the Age Credit; and
- Supporting the New Horizons for Seniors Program, which helps seniors use their leadership and skills to benefit communities across Canada.

For more information on the Government's programs and services for seniors, please visit www.seniors.gc.ca.