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Kramp welcomes improved accessibility for Canadians with disabilities

Ottawa, Ontario— The Canadian government is taking concrete action to enable Canadians, regardless of physical ability, to participate in and contribute to their community and the economy. Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings welcomes the government's key initiative to expand opportunities for people with disabilities entitled the "Enabling Accessibility Fund", a \$45 million, three-year commitment.

"There are many challenges for people with disabilities as they live their day-to-day lives", said Mr. Kramp. "Our government is dedicated to supporting people with disabilities and their families and helping integrate them more fully into their communities."

This year, the Enabling Accessibility Fund is making more than \$5.8 million available to support community-based projects across Canada that improve accessibility and reduce barriers. Some examples of these projects are building an exterior or interior ramp, installing automated door openers, building an accessible washroom, or installing a wheelchair lift in a community-based vehicle.

Canada's Economic Action Plan and other recent federal initiatives are also addressing the needs of people with disabilities through a series of important measures. For example, investments and initiatives include:

- \$1 billion for renovations and energy retrofits for social housing which includes renovations to support people with disabilities
- \$75 million for the construction of new social housing units for people with disabilities.
- Tax relief measures as a result of additional costs resulting from a disability or a medical condition
- The Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) which is an important way for families and loved ones to contribute to the financial security and well-being of people with severe disabilities.

“Through all of these investments and initiatives”, added Mr. Kramp, “our government is eliminating barriers and creating a more prosperous and positive future for all Canadians.”

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