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INVESTING IN ON-FARM FOOD SAFETY SYSTEM STRENGTHENS CONSUMER CONFIDENCE HERE AND ABROAD: KRAMP

Belleville, ON – Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings is pleased with the recent news that the Government of Canada is investing more than \$750,000 to help horticulture producers deliver safe, high-quality fresh fruits and vegetables to consumers in Canada and abroad.

Announced by Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz last week, this investment to the Canadian Horticultural Council, to develop a national on-farm food safety system, will strengthen the horticulture industry and help them show how safe their products are on an international stage.

“We in Canada are well-aware of how safe our fruits and vegetables are and enjoy this produce from coast to coast”, said Mr. Kramp. “By investing in the Canadian Horticultural Council we will further boost international consumer confidence and continue to be a world leader in growing the most superior fruits and vegetables.”

The Canadian Horticulture Council will use this funding to complete their On-Farm Food Safety System for the horticulture sector. Currently, the CHC is making the food safety program available for implementation by horticulture producers across Canada.

Agriculture is a core economic driver in Canada which is why in addition to Canada’s Economic Action plan, the Government of Canada is making these types of investments through Growing Forward. This federal investment is being delivered through the Canadian Integrated Food Safety Initiative (CIFSI) which helps organizations develop national, government-recognized on-farm and/or post-farm HACCP or HACCP-based food safety systems.

To find out more about this initiative, please visit
www.agr.gc.ca/cifsi.

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