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### **MP KRAMP WELCOMES FUNDING FOR MICROELECTRONICS RESEARCH**

**KINGSTON, Ontario** —Today, Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings, accompanied the Hon. Gary Goodyear, Minister of State (Science and Technology) to Queen’s University in Kingston to announce that the Government of Canada will invest \$40 million dollars over five years to Canadian Microsystems Corporation.

“All Canadians who use computers, cell phones, satellites and medical devices will benefit from this investment”, said Mr. Kramp. “Supporting microsystems research keeps Canada at the forefront of science and technology.”

Microsystems are vital components of much of the technology Canadians use everyday. For instance, biomedical tools using micro- and nano- devices are helping to improve radiation techniques for cancer patients. As an enabling technology, microsystems are essential to many sectors such as the environment, natural resources and energy, health and information and communications technologies, and they will continue to play an important role in tomorrow’s innovation.

Canadian Microsystems Corporation is a non-profit organization that provides support to researchers for their microelectronics and microsystems research.

This organization provides the tools, technologies and services that make microsystems research and development possible in universities across Canada. Faculty members and graduate students test microsystems concepts for future applications in industrial sectors. Funding provided will be matched by cash and in-kind contributions from industry and other partners.

Canadian Microsystems Corporation provides computer-aided design and analysis software to researchers in support of microelectronics and microsystems research. It also offers technical services, such as low-cost prototype manufacturing and system testing to university researchers and organizes networking conferences and workshops. Its membership includes more than 40 post-secondary institutions.

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council is a federal agency whose vision is to help make Canada a country of discoverers and innovators to the benefit of all Canadians. The agency supports some 28,000 students and postdoctoral fellows in their advanced studies. It also promotes discovery by funding more than 11,800 professors every year and fosters innovation by encouraging more than 1,500 Canadian companies to participate and invest in post-secondary research projects.