



Daryl Kramp, MP  
Prince Edward-Hastings

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### ***MP Kramp looks forward to celebrating seniors on October 1st***

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**Belleville, Ontario** – Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings is encouraging his constituents to celebrate “National Senior’s Day” on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

This past June, the House of Commons unanimously passed Bill C-40, “*An Act to establish a National Seniors Day*” which moved to recognize October 1<sup>st</sup> of each and every year as a day to celebrate the past, present and on-going contributions of Canadian Seniors. After passing all stages in the House of Commons, the Bill remains with the Senate and although it isn’t likely to become law before October 1<sup>st</sup>, Mr. Kramp wants to start celebrating seniors now.

“Why wait another year to say thank-you to the people who are the heart and soul of this country”, said Mr. Kramp. “This October 1<sup>st</sup>, I encourage my constituents to join me in celebrating the seniors in our communities and recognizing their outstanding contributions.”

“Although concrete action has been taken, I believe, as does our government, that much more needs to be done for seniors”, added Mr. Kramp. “We will continue our path to work hard to meet their needs and develop sustainable ways to improve the quality of life for older Canadians”

Budget 2010 invested an additional \$5 million per year in the New Horizons for Seniors Program, bringing the total overall budget to \$40 million. This additional funding will support projects that encourage seniors to volunteer and mentor other generations as well as initiatives that aim to increase awareness of financial abuse.

The Government of Canada has also introduced several other cost saving measures to benefit seniors. They include: pension income splitting; doubling the Pension Income Credit; increasing the age credit (twice); and reducing minimum RRIF withdrawals by 25%.