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Hello,

As your Member of Parliament, it is an honour to bring greetings to this event on this solemn Remembrance Day.

Every year on November 11th, Canadians gather across the country to honour the brave men and women who fought for the Canadian dream, and the freedom that allows all Canadians to pursue it. In a world that continues to be plagued by war and conflict, these freedoms are not universally guaranteed, and we must not take them for granted.

As we reflect on Remembrance, and the wars and conflicts, that shaped our nation, I encourage everyone to consider the lives of the Canadians who served in the Armed Forces during these conflicts. These soldiers left behind families who faced the heart-wrenching uncertainty of whether their deployed loved one would return. And many did not return and were buried in cemeteries overseas, and for those that did get home, the battle didn't end upon return; they carried both visible and invisible scars throughout the rest of their lives. We must remember this struggle, and acknowledge the role that families, friends and communities played in soothing the pain of those wounds.

We must also honor those currently serving around the world, putting their lives on the line, to safeguard democracy. Every day they face danger and conflict with bravery and perseverance, strengthened by the hope of a peaceful future. We also remember the families of these troops, who face the daily emotional toll of separation from their loved ones.

This November 11th let's take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices of those who came before us and those who serve today. Let us honor their legacy by ensuring their stories are shared and remembered. By doing so, we can help secure a peaceful future for Canada and the world.

On behalf of the Parliament of Canada, I join you in Remembering all those that served and serve. May God bless them and may God Bless Canada.

Lest We Forget.

Sincerely,

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