

April 24, 2020

Mr. Pierre Poilievre, M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Poilievre,

We are writing to you today to thank you immensely for your support of the credit union sector during this unprecedented time as we seek to support Canadians' financial well-being. You have been a critical voice, ensuring that Canadians who bank with credit unions could access government assistance when they need it most.

Your work in the Finance Committee has ensured that all 239 credit unions across Canada will be able to offer the Canada Emergency Business Account to their small business members. Credit unions are responsible for over 20% of all small and medium-sized business loans in Canada and you have helped ensure these businesses can access this funding. The continued inclusion of credit unions is critical for communities across Canada – particularly those which are rural and remote.

With the unprecedented uncertainty around the COVID-19 virus in Canada, the credit union sector is continually working to ensure the financial well-being of Canadians. Our sector exists to serve Canadians. Our purpose is now more important than ever.

We once again thank you for your continued support of the credit union sector. We will continue to share what we are seeing on the ground in our local communities as we continue to assist Canadians. Should we be able to provide any support to you or your colleagues as you work to manage this crisis, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Yours sincerely,



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