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Vellacott remarks on Homelessness Partnering Strategy and Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program

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OTTAWA – Yesterday, Minister Finley announced a Government of Canada investment of \$526 million towards reducing homelessness and extending financial assistance to low-income households for urgent repairs through the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP). Of this amount, \$270 million over two years will go to combat homelessness in communities across Canada (HPS) and \$256 million will go towards the two-year extension of CMHC’s RRAP.

Saskatoon-Wanuskewin MP Maurice Vellacott says, “Canada’s Conservative Government is delivering on its commitment to help homeless Canadians and those at risk of becoming homeless.”

Vellacott continued, “Our Government is committed to the long-term needs of homeless persons; this means investing in programs that help homeless persons achieve self-sufficiency and participation in Canadian society. We recognize that housing stability is essential to self-sufficiency along with greater access to intervention and support networks.”

Vellacott affirmed, “We are delivering on our promise to more effectively and efficiently address homelessness in Canada with a \$270 million investment to combat homelessness and \$256 million to extend the RRAP.”

Vellacott further elaborated, “In the New Year, the Conservative Government will be consulting with the provinces and other stakeholders to determine how the money will be best distributed across Canada.”

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