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Vellacott impressed with public hearing on supreme court nominee Rothstein

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OTTAWA – As Conservative Party MP Maurice Vellacott watched today’s public hearing on the Supreme Court nominee, he was proud and excited about this unprecedented first step forward in the creation of a more open, accountable Supreme Court appointment process.

Vellacott, MP for Saskatoon-Wanuskewin, believes that the public wants this process to work, and that parliamentarians directly involved today conducted themselves in a professional manner. Vellacott noted that the members of the ad hoc committee asked a series of questions that were thoughtful and relevant. Vellacott thought Justice Rothstein did a good job today in answering the Committee’s questions.

Vellacott remarked, “What happened today reflects the Conservative government’s vision that the Supreme Court is for everyone – public hearings, such as this, will provide the public with the opportunity to learn the opinions and views of nominees to the country’s highest court.”

Vellacott concluded that, “This hearing marks a triumph for openness and accountability – values that our Conservative Government will continue to pursue at every turn.”

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