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## Moving the House of Commons toward fair representation

**For Immediate Release**

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OTTAWA – Member of Parliament Maurice Vellacott (Saskatoon-Wanuskewin) today in the House of Commons spoke to the issue of fair representation. He said:

Mr. Speaker, our Conservative government has committed to moving the House of Commons toward fair representation.

We are committed to ensure that any update to the formula for allocating House of Commons seats would be fair to all provinces.

We will increase the number of seats, now and in the future, to better reflect the growth of faster-growing provinces, and we will make sure that the number of seats for the other provinces does not fall.

We expect the support of all Members in the House for this important democratic move. That great statesman and Father of Confederation, George Brown, was passionate about securing the principle of representation by population in Canada. Today's Members of Parliament should do no less.

A move toward fair representation by population will give more seats to the growing provinces, while protecting the seat counts of all the other provinces.

We are governing for all Canadians.

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