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First Accessibility Plan for the House of Commons

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The Honourable Anthony Rota, Speaker of the House of Commons, is pleased to announce the publication of the House of Commons' <u>Accessibility Plan 2023–2025</u>, which sets out commitments to make the House a barrier-free environment. The plan is now available on <u>OurCommons.ca</u>.

The Accessibility Plan 2023–2025 was informed by consultations with persons with a wide range of disabilities and developed in accordance with the <u>Accessible Canada Act</u>. This plan highlights short-, medium- and long-term initiatives in several areas: culture change and training; employment; built environment; information and communication technologies; communication; procurement of goods, services and facilities; design and delivery of programs and services; and transportation.

Every three years, an updated plan with new initiatives will be published to ensure that the House fulfills its commitment to create a barrier-free environment. In addition, a report will be available at the end of every year to provide an update on progress.

You can find more information on the accessibility Web page on <u>OurCommons.ca</u>, including an anonymous online form for feedback.

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