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Mr. Larry Bagnell Chair, Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A4

Dear Mr. Bagnell:

Pursuant to Standing Order 109 of the House of Commons and on behalf of the Government of Canada, I am pleased to respond to the Twenty-seventh report of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs regarding its study of the recommendations from the Chief Electoral Officer following the 42nd General Election. This Second Interim Report includes the Committee's views on 28 of the 132 recommendations.

As indicated in the response to the First Interim Report, tabled together with the present response, the Government is committed to taking measures to enhance, strengthen and safeguard Canada's electoral processes. As such, the Government is generally supportive of the recommendations and is considering introducing further amendments to the Canada Elections Act in response to the recommendations of the Chief Electoral Officer.

The Government values the views of the Committee members of the recommendations. I look forward to receiving the Committee's further views and recommendations.

Once again, I would like to thank the Committee members for their analysis, as well as the witnesses and Committee staff who support this important work.

Yours sincerely,

Honourable Karina Gould, P.C., M.P. Minister of Democratic Institutions