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Ending A Billion Dollar Boondoggle

Bill to End Long Gun Registry Remains on Order Paper Throughout Prorogation

St. Albert, AB – Today, Brent Rathgeber, Member of Parliament for Edmonton – St. Albert issued a clarification regarding Private Member's Bill C-391, *An Act to Amend the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act (repeal of the Long Gun Registry)*.

"It has been widely misreported that the Government's decision to prorogue Parliament will have an adverse effect on the dismantling of the Long Gun Registry. I would like to set the record straight. This extremely important Bill will be unaffected by the launch of a new Parliamentary Session" said Rathgeber.

Pursuant to Standing Order 86.1, items of Private Members' Business, such as Bill C-391, continue from session to session. That is, they are automatically reinstated at the stage they had completed at the time of prorogation.

"I am an extremely passionate advocate for the abolition of the Long Gun Registry. I strongly believe that it is time that we focus our resources on real criminals and not on innocent, law abiding farmers and hunters. As soon as the new Parliamentary Session begins with the Speech from the Throne on March 3rd, I will be advocating for the speedy passage of this Bill through the Public Safety Committee, of which I have been serving."

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