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Member of Parliament
Kitchener Centre

The Honourable Carla Qualtrough
Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion

November 15, 2021

Dear Minister Qualtrough,

I am writing to you today about the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB). As you are aware, the Benefit provides essential support to those who are unable to work due to health risks associated with COVID-19. I am advocating for the CRSB extension to not include a maximum number of weeks that individuals can access the Benefit, to ensure that people with health risks are able to pay their bills without needing to risk their health.

I recently heard from a constituent who has a severely weakened immune system due to medication. She received multiple doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, but through testing, her doctor found that the vaccine has not provided her immunity from COVID-19 due to her weakened immune system. As a result, she is unable to return to work because of her high risk of catching COVID-19 and having a severe case.

Removing the maximum number of weeks for the CRSB will ensure that my constituent and the many Canadians in similar situations are provided the support they need. This will allow each person to return to work based on when their doctor feels it is safe for them to do so, instead of being based on the predetermined number of weeks they can access the Benefit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Morrice".

Mike Morrice,
MP for Kitchener Centre