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The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos

Minister of Families, Children and Social Development

House of Commons

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Dear Minister Duclos,

I am writing with regard to the issue of increasing the CPP Death Benefit.

The CPP Death Benefit has been capped at \$2,500 since 1998, which means it has been 18 years since there was any modification to these benefits. As you know, funeral expenses have risen substantially in that time, placing a very heavy burden on low income families and seniors living on OAS and CPP.

The NDP tabled Bill C-202 to remove the tax from the CPP Death Benefit. Unfortunately this bill died on the Order Paper at the dissolution of the 41st Parliament.

I am writing to ask you to increase the CPP Death Benefit so that grieving families do not suffer the financial burden of losing a loved one.

I appreciate your consideration of this proposal and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Scott, Duval, NDP Critic for Pensions



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