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Mr. Larry Bagnell  
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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 Thirty-Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs regarding its study of the recommendations from the Chief Electoral Officer following the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Election. This Third Interim Report includes the Committee's views on 14 of the 132 recommendations.

As indicated in the responses to the first and second interim reports, which were tabled on June 20, 2017, our Government is committed to taking measures to enhance, strengthen and safeguard Canada's electoral process. As such, our 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.

I want to reiterate my desire to work with the Committee, and all Members of Parliament, towards our shared goal of enhancing, strengthening and protecting our electoral process.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Karina Gould'.

The Honourable Karina Gould, P.C., M.P.