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Deepak Obhrai pays tribute in Parliament to Canada's senior citizens

(Ottawa) Deepak Obhrai, M.P. for Calgary East and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, today made the following statement in the House of Commons:

"I stand in this House today to salute the Senior Citizens, not only of my Riding of Calgary East, but all across Canada. Our seniors have made countless and invaluable contributions that have shaped our great nation and molded us into what we are today.

That is why our government is committed to enhancing the well-being of Canada's seniors during the retirement they have earned. Since 2006, our Government has :

- Introduced tax relief measures specifically for seniors such as pension income splitting, twice increasing the Age Credit amount, and increasing GIS benefits.
- Introduced legislation to make our streets and communities safer so that seniors feel safe in their own homes and communities.
- Created a dedicated Minister of State for Seniors, bringing seniors issues directly to the Cabinet table.
- And finally, we have established October 1st as National Seniors Day.

Mr. Speaker, we owe our Senior Citizens a debt of gratitude. And our government will continue to stand up for seniors across Canada. "

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