SELINA ROBINSON, MLA, COQUITLAM-MAILLARDVILLE

ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014



SWEARING IN CEREMONY WITH THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE, CRAIG JAMES. JUNE 12, 2013

am pleased to bring you this Annual Report to let you know what I, as your Provincial representative, have been doing on your behalf.

In the community - where I hear what you have to say

- I Co-hosted 2 Town Hall meetings with MP Fin Donnelly one specifically for seniors.
- I Co-hosted a Community Easter Egg Hunt that saw hundreds of children and their families descend on the Easter Bunny.
- I attended rallies in School District 43 (Coquitlam) and School District 42 (Maple Ridge) organized by parents to share their concerns about the chronic underfunding of schools.
- I knocked on community doors at least once a month for the last six months and listened to concerns people had about their Provincial government. While people had many things to say there were a few themes that stood out: cuts to public education, increased transportation costs (like the Port Mann toll), and concerns about the cost of post-secondary school.

In Victoria - where I am your voice

We had a month long legislative session last July and a four month session this spring (Feb-May). During that time I was able ask questions in the Legislature about education funding, the closure of the Burquitlam Lions Care Centre, the future of Riverview Lands and the value of a Silver Alert program.

I have also been listening to members of the community and asking questions to Ministers and their staff about park and ride parking stalls for the Evergreen line and next steps for the replacement of the Bailey Bridge between Coquitlam and New Westminster.

This year I brought forward my first Private Members Bill to develop a provincial Silver Alert protocol (see inside for details) for those with dementia or Alzheimers who go missing.

I had a chance to speak to the value of setting up a specialized clinic for adult survivors of childhood cancer and I spoke several times about the value of our Agricultural Land Reserve and why we ought to continue to preserve these lands for future generations.

It's been a very full year of new learning and new routines. I invite you to stay connected by signing up for my monthly electronic newsletter selina.robinson.mla@leg.bc.ca. Feel free to come by my office 102-1108 Austin Ave (by Marmont) or give me a call at 604.933.2001. Or feel free to join us at my upcoming Coffee Talk June 17, 7 pm, at Joey Beenz, 1032 Austin Ave, Coquitlam where we can have a cup of coffee and talk about the things that matter most to you.

All the best, Selina VARIETY CLUB SHOW OF HEARTS TELETHON, GOLD PANEL JAN 25, 2014

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SELINA ROBINSON IN THE COMMUNITY

AND IN THE LEGISLATURE

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

Teddy Bear Parade, June 8th

Austin Heights Daisy Days, June 21st

JULY

Canada Day Celebration, July 1st, Coquitlam Town Centre

AUGUST

Korean Heritage Festival, August 16th Swanguard Stadium

SEPTEMBER

Community BBQ, Sept 21, Mundy Park

OCTOBER

Thanksgiving Open House

NOVEMBER

Coffee Talk with Selina

DECEMBER

Christmas Open House



60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR ARMISTICE JULY 20, 2013



APPRECIATING THE FIRE FIGHTING EXPERIENCE AT FIRE OPS 101, SEPT 16, 2013

I think you need to put your money where your mouth is. I think we ought to be buying local, particularly for our publicly funded institutions. Those are taxpayer dollars that will stay in our communities and help our communities grow and do the things that we think they need to do at a local level.

Monday, July 15, 2013

Debate of Private Members' Motion -Promotion of Purchasing from BC Businesses

SENIORS TOWN HALL WITH MP FIN DONNELLY, APRIL 4, 2014



S.U.C.C.E.S.S. CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

SILVER ALERT

This past session I proposed a Private Members (non-partisan) Bill that would bring about a standard protocol for calling upon the community when a person with dementia or Alzheimers goes missing. I was inspired by our community when the Noh Family put out a call on social and traditional media to help look for their father Shin Noh. When the hundreds of people who came from all over the lower mainland to help look for this man it reminded me that we live in a community where people really do care for each other. If we had a system in place that would invite people to help keep an eye out for this person then maybe we can be more successful at finding them sooner, diminishing the risk of injury or death and preventing the anguish and fear that comes when a loved one goes missing.

Two members of the Noh Family joined me in the Legislature on the day I proposed the bill.

The Bill will not likely be debated given that Opposition Member bills are generally not debated in the Legislature; however, I do have a meeting scheduled with the new Seniors' Advocate, Isobel MacKenzie and I am hopeful that she might be able to act on this idea of a Silver Alert for British Columbia. Stay tuned.

I asked to speak to this motion because cancer is taking too many lives. Here we have an opportunity to invest in the coordination of ongoing care for so many who need not have to die from the same disease that threatened their lives at a young age. We have an opportunity here to do the right thing by these families and create a program that will make a difference in so many lives and save the taxpayer from expensive surgeries, treatments and hospital stays.

Debate of Private Members' Motion– Clinic for Late Effects of Childhood Cancer Treatment Monday, March 3, 2014



SAM NOH (L) AND JOE ONG (R) JOINING ME AT THE LEGISLATURE TO INTRODUCE THE SILVER ALERT BILL FEB. 25, 2014

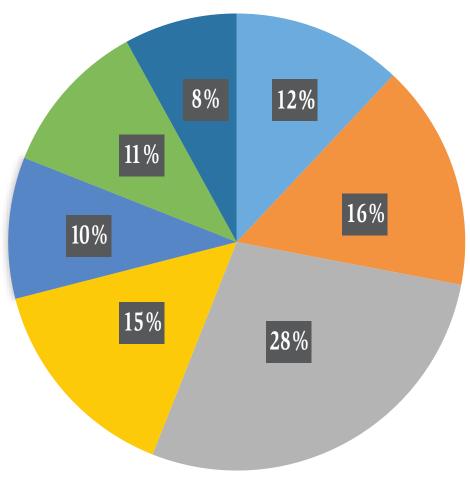
The other thing I think it's important to note, in terms of what's missing from this bill, is that we're going to continue to see outrageous spending in some communities like Vancouver. It will continue unabated. Furthermore, there's nothing here that bans union or corporate donations — something that would go a long way to limit campaign spending and would make local elections more accessible.

Debate on Bill 20 — Local Elections Campaigns Financing Act Monday, April 7, 2014



HOW OUR OFFICE HELPS IN THE COMMUNITY

TOP CONCERNS RAISED IN COQUITLAM-MAILLARDVILLE CONSTITUENCY OFFICE



DROP BY OUR OFFICE

Your constituency office is here to serve you and the community and can assist you in a variety of ways. Some of the services we provide include:

- Provide assistance on a variety of issues including landlord, tenant and other housing issues, public safety, MSP etc.
- Assist in understanding government policies and services,
- Resolve issues you may have with provincial government agencies and assist in navigating through government bureaucracy,
- Attend community events,
- Offer congratulatory and greeting messages,
- Provide government documents, legislation, discussion papers and other webbased forms if you don't have Internet access.

Our doors are open Monday through Friday from
10am until 4:30pm so please drop by and
speak with Laura or Sharron to determine how we can help.



Transportation

Health

Housing

Environment

Ministry of Children & Families/CommunityLiving BC

Other

The Evergreen line is finally coming, and I have asked for park-and-ride spots in Coquitlam-Maillardville. Everyone keeps saying that the Evergreen line is coming to Coquitlam, and it is to parts of Coquitlam. It's completely bypassing Coquitlam-Maillardville... But in Coquitlam-Maillardville we won't be able to access those 500 parking stalls that TransLink is bringing on side with the Evergreen line. All of those parking stalls are going to be over in Coquitlam-Port Moody and in Coquitlam-Burke. Isn't that very interesting? I won't see a single stall; neither will my residents. In fact, they're going to have to drive backward along the Evergreen line to park their car to go forward along the Evergreen line.

Debate of Bill 22, South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Amendment Act Tuesday, April 8, 2014



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