

A New Vision of Aging for Canada

June 9, 2015

Dear Mr. Evans-Tenbrinke,

CARP has followed closely and supports you in your sit-in protest against Canada Post's decision to end home delivery and to erect community mailboxes. I want to take the opportunity to thank you on behalf of CARP members across Canada and the Hamilton Chapter of CARP for your unwavering dedication and personal sacrifice in support of a cause important to many Canadians.

CARP is a national, non-partisan, non-profit organization committed to advocating for a *New Vision of Aging for Canada*, social change that will bring financial security, equitable access to health care and freedom from discrimination. Through our network of chapters across Canada, including Hamilton, CARP is dedicated to building a sense of community and shared values among our members in support of CARP's mission.

CARP has opposed from the start Canada Post's cessation of home mail delivery. Many of our members share your concerns that widespread objections to the cessation have not been heard or addressed by Canada Post. Canada Post's proposal to offer exemptions to people who reveal their medical conditions and history is no solution at all.

CARP members across Canada also share your concern for the effect the changes would have on the well-being and independence of older Canadians and people with disabilities and mobility challenges. Door-to-door mail delivery is essential for many Canadians and provides added value, especially to home-bound individuals, to whom the letter carrier may be the only point of human contact for some days.

We will continue to push for a reversal of the Canada Post decision and to support you and like-minded Canadians guarding our shared values and public services.

Sincerely,

Susan Eng,

Vice President, CARP Advocacy