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Ms. Susan Eng
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Dear Ms. Eng,

I would like to formally thank you for the role you played in the passage of the *Reform Act, 2014*. On June 23rd, 2014, Governor General David Johnston granted the *Reform Act* Royal Assent, after it passed the Senate of Canada on June 22nd, 38-14. It will now come into force on October 26th, 2015.

I especially want to thank you for bringing the *Reform Act* to attention of CARP members, as well conducting surveys of those members to solicit their views. The voice of Canada's seniors played a critical role in ensuring the passage of the *Reform Act*. Elected MPs and Senators responded when CARP and Canada's seniors spoke up strongly in favour of the parliamentary reforms proposed in the bill.

It is my hope that the passage of this bill is just the start of a series of reforms to strengthen our democracy and make the government more accountable to our legislature, the House of Commons. Standing Committees, Question Period, etc. are all in desperate need of reform and renewal.

You and your members' contribution to the debate on democratic reform and the *Reform Act, 2014* played an important role in the passage of the bill, and contributed to what I hope is further reform and renewal of our parliamentary system of government.

Once again, thank you. Best wishes for the summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michael Chong'.

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