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The Honourable Chrystia Freeland  
Minister of Finance  
House of Commons of Canada

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### **Budget Recommendations for Accountability and Confidence**

Dear Minister Freeland,

I write about an opportunity to fund an important organization that has recently been brought to my attention by a number of my constituents. The Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation (CAAF) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting and strengthening public sector performance audits, oversight and accountability in Canada and abroad. They approach this through research, education and knowledge-sharing. I am requesting more federal funding for the CAAF.

The CAAF works to ensure that public money is spent in the most effective way. More funding for CAAF would mean they are better equipped to train their members on awareness of public accounts committees to hold public organizations to account. This would also sustain their workshops to oversight committees provincially and territorially. Further, this would allow them to expand their work to include municipalities and Indigenous communities, which are both of utmost importance in ensuring accountability and spending is representative of Canadians.

This organization is able to promote confidence in the public sector by ensuring accountability, which increases the efficiency of government operations. Many



municipalities and offices for Auditor Generals are members of this organization, so greater funding would have a resounding effect for communities across Canada.

I respectfully ask that federal funding for the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation be increased to improve the confidence of Canadians in the public sector.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth May". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

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