



# RALPH GOODALE

Member of Parliament for Wascana



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## Accountability: On the record!

Elected 8 times as a Member of Parliament for Saskatchewan.

Served as Minister for: Finance, Public Works and Government Services, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Agri-Food, and the Canadian Wheat Board, as well as the Federal Interlocutor for Metis and Non-Status Indians.

Helped to end a quarter of a century of federal deficits, replacing them with 10 consecutive balanced budgets, a \$13 billion annual surplus, economic growth of at least 3% per year, consistent trade surpluses, 3.5 million net new jobs, lower debt, lower taxes, a sound Canada Pension Plan, a world-class banking system, and the best fiscal record in the western world.

Selected by his peers as Canada's first-ever "Parliamentarian of the Year".

Chosen as Regina's "Best MP" in each of the past 12 years.

Some of the valuable projects and policies in which Ralph has been instrumental:

- ✓ The "Big Dig" that revitalized beautiful **Wascana Lake** at the heart of Regina
- ✓ The **RCMP Heritage Centre**
- ✓ Restoration of historic **Government House**
- ✓ The multipurpose Credit Union **EventPlex** at Evraz Place
- ✓ A **Service Canada** Centre in the former Galleria Mall on 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- ✓ Regina chosen as the new home for the **Canadian Police Research Centre**
- ✓ Over 2,000 new units of top quality **affordable housing** for Saskatchewan
- ✓ Local community capital projects in 725 locations across Saskatchewan to help mark the **province's Centennial**
- ✓ \$600 million invested in **world-class science and innovation** in Saskatchewan, including the unique Synchrotron Laboratory in Saskatoon, and the cluster of "clean energy" facilities at the University of Regina (which formed the anchor for Canada's new technology in the emerging field of carbon capture and storage)
- ✓ Establishing the **Petroleum Technology Research Centre** in Regina
- ✓ The twinning of the **TransCanada Highway**
- ✓ The Canada-Saskatchewan **Sound Stage** to position Regina as a venue for film production
- ✓ **A complete rebate** to all municipalities of 100% of the GST they pay on all their purchasing – worth over \$8 million every year in Saskatchewan alone
- ✓ Establishing federal revenue-sharing with all municipal governments in Canada – from the **federal gasoline tax**
- ✓ Over \$500 million to strengthen Saskatchewan's **public infrastructure**
- ✓ Funding and research work that supported Canada's **Bio-Fuels** industry and other sources of **renewable energy**
- ✓ **Record-high federal transfer payments** to help provinces pay for crucial services like Medicare
- ✓ The correction of old errors in Canada's Equalization System which resulted in the **biggest Equalization bonus Saskatchewan has ever received**
- ✓ Major support for **Early Learning and Childcare**
- ✓ A fully-funded agreement with all provinces, territories and national Aboriginal organizations to close gaps in **Aboriginal housing, water, health, education, economic development and governance**
- ✓ The **"greenest" budget in Canadian history** that would have achieved 80% of Canada's obligations to reduce greenhouse gas pollution
- ✓ \$7 billion in new federal investments to **increase access to higher learning** and advanced skills
- ✓ In Opposition, Ralph Goodale has provided Saskatchewan with **a clear, compelling and progressive voice** in national affairs
- ✓ He is steadfast in his advocacy for fair and generous treatment for **Canadian veterans**
- ✓ While all other MPs from Saskatchewan remained silent, Ralph has spoken out effectively in defence of our **potash** industry rooted firmly in Saskatchewan, the renewal of **First Nations University**, the advancement of community-based public **infrastructure**, sensible **labour market rules**, and a **grain handling and transportation system** that truly delivers for Saskatchewan

