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Dear Canadian Electoral Candidate,

My name is Frank Clegg and I am the CEO of C4ST, Canadians for Safe Technology a not-for-profit, totally volunteer-based, national coalition of parents, citizens and experts. On behalf of your future constituents I am requesting you support a simple but critical science-based health and safety matter currently before Parliament.

I have been a national leader in technology and child safety for decades. Throughout my career as President of Microsoft Canada I championed parental controls over the emerging internet so that parents and teachers could censor materials deemed inappropriate for young children.

My team also built a software system designed to help law enforcement track and catch child predators online, before they lured vulnerable children out of their homes. This program is now running in ten countries and is responsible for many of the arrests we read about when predators are caught with evidence on their home computers.

Today as CEO of C4ST I am heading Canada's leading edge public health education team on the potential risk of wireless devices and how to use them more safely.

I am appealing to all candidates for Canada's 42nd Parliament to protect not only our children, but all Canadians from the well published hazards of wireless radiation from everyday devices used by almost every citizen.

The process of educating Canadians via government initiatives has just passed through our Parliamentary process. During the spring of 2015 the Canadian Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health invested several sessions to investigate Health Canada's Safety Code 6, the federal guidelines for the safe use of wireless technology. The motion was presented by Liberal MP Dr. Hedy Fry, seconded by the NDP Health Critic at the time, MP Libby Davies, and was unanimously supported by all Conservative committee members. This is demonstrated to be a non-partisan issue. All parties involved are behind Canadian health and safety.

The Health Committee heard from an overwhelming number of national and international scientific and medical experts, that millions of Canadians are at risk of long term health effects including infertility and cancer. [The Fact Sheet](#) that we have included provides a brief summary of the evidence. In order to reduce the chance of ubiquitous wireless radiation from altering the lives of a generation of Canadians, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Health reported to the Government on June 17, 2015. The final report included 12 recommendations. The recommendations are listed in the attachment, organized into four categories: Education and Awareness, Electrosensitivity, improving Health Canada's process and Research.

As Canadians, we appreciate and respect your commitment to serve and improve our country by offering your time, knowledge and energy as a Member of Parliament. We are asking, if elected, for you to agree to support efforts to work with Health Canada and other appropriate agencies and organizations for the following four initiatives:

1. Develop an awareness campaign relating to the safe use of wireless technologies, such as cell phones and Wi-Fi, in key environments such as the school and home
2. Investigate, and potentially adopt, measures taken in other countries to limit the exposure of vulnerable populations, including infants, and young children in the school environment to radiofrequencies
3. Improve the testing, diagnosis, treatment and data collection regarding electromagnetic hypersensitivity and its possible impact on health in the workplace
4. Establish a database to collect adverse reaction reports to radiofrequency wireless devices.

As a technology leader and advocate for child safety in the technology sector in Canada, I invite you to commit to supporting the above initiatives along with all candidates in your riding. We realize, if you were not part of the Standing committee on Health hearings, you have not seen the evidence to support all twelve recommendations to Parliament. This process has been a non-partisan partnership achieving unanimous support among the major parties in the interest of public health and we give you this opportunity to help shepherd it through to a full part of our national health education and disease prevention strategy.

I remain committed to Canada's leadership in technology and its innovation for the benefit of our lives and our economy. Only through a national public safety education campaign will our country maintain its international advantage, by using this potentially harmful technology more safely in our daily lives.

If you agree, we would like to identify your name on our webpage, www.c4st.org/CandidatesWhoCare . To demonstrate your agreement;

[CLICK HERE](#) and state your name, riding, and that you agree to be listed on our webpage as supportive of the 4 key initiatives.

I can also be reached directly at the email below. I am looking forward to your response that we will post on our website www.c4st.org.

Sincerely,



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Appendix

HESA Recommendations: Education and Awareness

Recommendation 4: That the Canadian Medical Association, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, the College of Family Physicians of Canada and the World Health Organization consider updating their guidelines and continuing education materials regarding the diagnosis and treatment of electromagnetic hypersensitivity to ensure they are based on the latest scientific evidence and reflect the symptoms of affected Canadians.

Recommendation 9: That the Government of Canada develop an awareness campaign relating to the safe use of wireless technologies, such as cell phones and Wi-Fi, in key environments such as the school and home to ensure that Canadian families and children are reducing risks related to radiofrequency exposure.

Recommendation 12: That the Government of Canada and manufacturers consider policy measures regarding the marketing of radiation emitting devices to children under the age of 14, in order to ensure they are aware of the health risks and how they can be avoided.

HESA Recommendations: Electrosensitivity

Recommendation 2: That Statistics Canada consider including questions related to electromagnetic hypersensitivity in the Canadian Community Health Survey.

Recommendation 4: That the Canadian Medical Association, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, the College of Family Physicians of Canada and the World Health Organization consider updating their guidelines and continuing education materials regarding the diagnosis and treatment of electromagnetic hypersensitivity to ensure they are based on the latest scientific evidence and reflect the symptoms of affected Canadians.

Recommendation 5: That the Government of Canada continue to provide reasonable accommodations for environmental sensitivities, including electromagnetic hypersensitivity, as required under the *Canadian Human Rights Act*.

Recommendation 7: That the Government of Canada establish a system for Canadians to report potential adverse reactions to radiofrequency fields

HESA Recommendations: Improving Health Canada's process

Recommendation 6: That Health Canada ensure the openness and transparency of its processes for the review of Safety Code 6, so that all Canadians have an opportunity to be informed about the evidence considered or excluded in such reviews, that outside experts are provided full information when doing independent reviews, and that the scientific rationale for any change is clearly communicated

Recommendation 8: That an independent scientific body recognized by Health Canada examine whether measures taken and guidelines provided in other countries, such as France and Israel, to limit the exposure of vulnerable populations, including infants, and young children in the school environment, to radiofrequencies should be adopted in Canada.

Recommendation 10: That Health Canada conduct a comprehensive review of all existing literature relating to radiofrequency fields and carcinogenicity based on international best practices

HESA Recommendations: Research

Recommendation 1: That the Government of Canada, in collaboration with the health departments of the provinces and territories, examine existing cancer data collection methods to improve the collection of information relating to wireless device use and cancer.

Recommendation 3: That the Government of Canada, through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, consider funding research into electromagnetic hypersensitivity testing, diagnosis and treatment, and its possible impacts on health in the workplace.

Recommendation 11: That the Government of Canada, through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, consider funding research into the link between radiofrequency fields and potential health effects such as cancer, genetic damage, infertility, impairment to development and behaviour, harmful effects to eyes and on the brain, cardiovascular, biological and biochemical effects.

Further information on the HESA hearings and 12 recommendations can be found at

www.c4st.org/HESARRecommendations