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VIA EMAIL: [Justin.Trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Justin.Trudeau@parl.gc.ca) (hard copy to follow)

Justin Trudeau, MP  
Member of Parliament for Papineau  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Trudeau:

On behalf of the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA), please accept our sincere congratulations on the Liberal Party of Canada's majority government victory last night.

CNA looks forward to working with your government to fulfil your party's commitments on health and wellness. We are confident that a Liberal-led government will collaborate with us and other stakeholders to provide cost-effective and innovative solutions to improve health care.

CNA met with you and your officials on May 12 to discuss our federal recommendations on seniors care and healthy aging. These issues were the focal point of our federal election strategy, which we called Health Is Where the Home Is. CNA hosted four town hall meetings that featured Liberal candidates in the ridings of Mississauga-Streetsville, Moncton-Riverview-Dieppe, Vancouver Granville and Edmonton Strathcona.

In addition to our election-related recommendations, we also hope your government:

- Works with the provincial and territorial governments to ensure equitable access to community-based care for all Canadians
- Takes action on key recommendations that promote innovation, as laid out in the report from the July 2015 advisory panel on health-care innovation
- Identifies ways to increase the supply of RNs in the workforce
- Removes federal legislative barriers to enable nurse practitioners to work to their full scope of practice
- Ensures a stable health-care workforce to meet the increasing needs of the population
- Improves the health of First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you at your earliest convenience.

In the coming months, David Granovsky, CNA's manager of government relations, will be in touch with your staff and the health minister's staff to arrange meetings. David can be reached at 613-237-2159, ext. 525, or [dgranovsky@cna-aiic.ca](mailto:dgranovsky@cna-aiic.ca).

Once again, congratulations to you and your party!

Sincerely,

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President