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GONE! THE LONG-GUN REGISTRY IS SCRAPPED!

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Ottawa, Ontario—In a historic vote in the House of Commons that represents years of hard work, Members of Parliament voted to scrap the billion dollar liberal long gun registry. The Conservative legislation now goes to the Senate to be voted on before receiving Royal Assent.

"This victory is shared with everyone who never lost faith that we would be successful. This proves you can fight 'big government' and win," stated Cheryl Gallant MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke. "Thank-you for your support. We did it!"

Excerpts From Hansard from the Debate to Scrap the Long-gun Registry, February 7, 2012.

Mrs. Cheryl Gallant (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke, Conservative):

Madam Speaker, it is with the support and respect of the people of my riding of Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke that I rise today once again to speak in support of this legislation, which will finally scrap the long gun registry.

I am pleased to confirm to the House that scrapping the Liberal long gun registry is the number one topic of discussion when I am out and about on the various public engagements I am invited to attend.

My constituents followed the progress of this legislation very closely. They are disgusted by the cynical, manipulative ploys of the opposition. My constituents assure me they will never in their lifetime support those parties with their not so hidden agenda to reintroduce the registry.

In my riding, demonstrations against the Liberal long gun registry were not occupied by young people being manipulated by radicals funded by foreign interests. These demonstrations were held by middle-aged firearm owners whose first reflex is to respect the laws of the land, whose parents and their parents before them built this great nation.

The political alienation of rural Canadians by the Liberals was a far greater loss than the \$1 billion-plus that have been wasted on an experiment in social engineering. It was an experiment that backfired on the Liberal Party and helped reduce it to the fringe status in Canadian politics it enjoys today. The creation by the Liberals of a new criminal class, rural firearm owners, was the ultimate triumph of the negative political politics, which thoughtful Canadians rejected in the same way they rejected the Liberal long gun registry.

This may be the worst and most enduring product of the gun registry culture war. When it comes to the gun issue, my constituents all know my stand. I am against it and I will never quit fighting until it is gone.

As we all know, brave Canadians have sacrificed their lives in two world wars and many conflicts, the most recent in Afghanistan, to ensure that we have a free and democratic society... The reality of this blatant assault... can only be stopped by Bill C-19. Yet the left-wing parties are fighting to keep this kind of legislation on the books, vowing never to rescind it. They have promised to keep fighting every attempt by our government to end it and then to reintroduce it if they ever get the chance.

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