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**Liberal Throne Speech Offers No Plan and No Path Forward for Transportation Industry**

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**Calgary, AB**—Stephanie Kusie, Member of Parliament for Calgary Midnapore and Shadow Minister for Transport, issued the following statement highlighting Justin Trudeau’s failure to support Canadians whose livelihoods rely on the transport industry in his Speech from the Throne:

“I was incredibly disappointed to hear no clear path forward to help Canadians through the pandemic. With nothing substantive provided to help Canadians and businesses survive these difficult times, the Liberals have wasted six *more* weeks so that they could hide from their ethical scandals.

“Justin Trudeau’s speech had little acknowledgement of the serious issues created by COVID-19 within the airline industry, and absolutely no leadership from the government going forward. If Justin Trudeau truly cared about the middle-class, he would not let major Canadian industries – or the jobs they create – simply disappear.

“Justin Trudeau had an opportunity to lay out a plan to help the thousands of Canadians who work and depend on the travel industry. Instead he left those Canadians behind. Because of the pandemic we have seen flight attendants and baggage handlers furloughed, pilots struggling to get flight hours, air traffic controllers laid off, and service jobs in airports become virtually non-existent. These Canadians need a plan but the Liberal government failed to deliver and once again left them behind.

“The speech also did nothing to strengthen critical supply chains. Canadian truck drivers, port workers, and commercial pilots are critically important to the flow of essential good like food, medicine, and PPE supplies, however the Liberals provided no plan to ensure that these workers and their families can remain safe, healthy, and have access to rapid testing.

“This is just the same old Liberal government failing to provide a coherent plan for Canadians, seven months into this pandemic. That is why I am going to continue to hold Justin Trudeau and his government accountable. I will keep fighting for Canadians, their jobs, and their health so that we can overcome adversity together and emerge from the COVID era stronger and more united than ever before.”

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