



Statement

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Mr. Speaker,

Our urban communities are overcome with gridlock. The amount of people who drive everywhere by car has risen by 6% over the last decade. The provinces understand the problem. Both B.C. and Ontario have recently announced substantial investments to get citizens out of their cars and into public transit. And yet this government looks the other way and throws road blocks towards delivering funding.

The residents in my riding of Thornhill are eager for transit initiatives. Residents are facing longer commutes, widening roads, and increased pollution. Meanwhile this government evades its responsibility to deliver new funding for critical initiatives like the Spadina and Yonge Street Subway extensions.

We need serious investments in mass public transportation to meet the needs of our expanding urban population. We need a transit plan now to get more people out of their cars.

It's time this government got on board! We need a National Transit Strategy that includes new permanent funding. We need a federal government that supports, not obstructs funding public transit.