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Mr. Garry Breitkreuz, MP
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Dear Mr. Breitkreuz: [REDACTED] RE: Outdoors Caucus

The Canadian Outdoor Heritage Alliance (COHA) was formed in 1999 when, for no scientific reason and without consultation, the Ontario government cancelled the spring black bear hunt. A group of outdoors organizations met and decided the best way to protect the rights of hunters, anglers, and trappers was to form a national advocacy organization to present a unified voice to government both provincially and federally. Since then COHA has accepted individual memberships because of repeated requests. COHA is proud to be the first and only national organization committed to protecting our hunting, fishing, and trapping heritage.

Jim Lawrence, who manages our Corporate Affairs and Communications, has been in contact with Dennis Young on a regular basis.

A federal Outdoors Caucus, to monitor federal outdoor activities, as they affect our right to hunt, fish, and trap, is a great idea and one for which you should be congratulated.

COHA will support you and the caucus members with our individual members, corporate members, and in our quarterly COHA Field News. Please send us any and all press releases regarding the outdoor caucus and we will make certain the information reaches our members.

If there is any way in which we can assist you and the caucus members with data collection, communications, or any other area please do not hesitate to contact us.

It is refreshing for us to see someone advancing the cause for which we were formed and for which we also have a mandate. The board of directors of COHA and our members also appreciate your continuing efforts in the firearm legislation and look forward to seeing its demise.

Yours truly,

Bob McQuay
Chairman

Cc Caucus Members

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