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Climate Change March

Mr. Forbes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Saskatchewan people are increasingly concerned about the impacts of climate change, and at the same time people are becoming more aware of the economic and social opportunities which a clean energy economy would offer. They want to see their government take decisive action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

So this Sunday afternoon, November 29th, people will be rallying in Saskatoon in advance of the Paris COP [Conference of Parties] 21 Climate Conference. They represent a wide spectrum of organizations including faith groups; labour, justice and peace coalitions; and the Council of Canadians. These climate change activists from all across the bridge city will be meeting at Vimy Memorial at 1 o'clock to begin their march to Oskâyak School.

There will be an impressive list of speakers including Bishop Don Bolen, Idle No More co-founder Nina Wilson, and SEIU-West [Service Employees International Union-West] president Barbara Cape, Rachel Melana-Chan, and Jenna Gall, who's going to Paris as a member of the Canadian Youth Delegation.

Saskatonians will be calling on government leaders, including our own Premier, to cooperate with the worldwide move towards a low-carbon economy, to recognize the opportunities which this shift can offer to our economy, and to enable Saskatchewan to once again become a leader on the world stage.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all members to join me in thanking everyone involved in organizing this event and to those who will be there marching, demanding real action to address the climate change crisis here in Saskatchewan and throughout the world. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.