

# 2022 In Review



MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT  
PEACE RIVER — WESTLOCK



Happy New Year!

As 2022 comes to a close, I am pleased to share an update on the past 12 months. It has been an honour to serve as your voice in Ottawa.

Over the past year, my priorities have focused on being a voice for northern Albertans, standing up for our workers, seniors, families and victims of crime.

Highlights:

In 2022, I rose to speak over 270 times in the House of Commons on matters important to you like oil and gas, forestry, standing up for families and small business owners, protecting kids from pornography, the rights of firearm owners, Indigenous rights, human trafficking and freedom of conscience.

I also presented over 110 petitions signed by constituents advocating for action on sex-selective abortion, ALS research, northern residents' deduction, the treatment of Uyghur Muslims by Communist China, ending covid mandates, and many more issues that matter to you.

My staff and I have worked hard to assist constituents and this is often one of the most fulfilling parts of my job. For example, just this past fall, we were able to help over 40 families get passports for themselves and/or their children and in one case helping a father being able to walk his daughter down the aisle.

We have also worked hard on immigration cases, reuniting family members and ensuring farmers and small businesses can hire the skilled workers they need. Our case work has also helped those dealing with challenges with Service Canada including fighting for a mother getting maternity leave after being denied because her husband is a farmer. Finally in a rural riding with many hunters, we work hard to ensure constituents can get their PAL renewals .

This year I was appointed to a new Committee, the Subcommittee on International Human Rights and I serve as the Vice-Chair. Human rights come from the fact that we are created in the image of God and we must ensure they are protected and upheld. The Subcommittee has been studying the human rights atrocities taking place in Tigray, Ethiopia, Ukraine and Iran. I have also advocated for studies on modern slavery being fueled by the growing demand for green technology and alarming increase of religious persecution of Christians in Nigeria.

Continuing my work to fighting sexual exploitation and human trafficking, I introduced the SISE Act (Stopping Internet Sexual Exploitation Act) to require pornography companies verify age and consent before publishing content. In November, I also tabled the National Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking Act. One of my highlights is serving as the co-chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group to End Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking.

I look forward to continuing to serve you in 2023.

Sincerely,

Arnold Viersen, MP  
Peace River—Westlock



## Constituent Survey

**THANK YOU—In 2022, I received over 3100 replies to the newsletter surveys I sent out. Having your direct input helps me represent you better in Parliament.**

Do you support my opposition to the Liberals' amendments to C-21 to ban hunting firearms?

Yes       No       Not sure

Am I on the right track?

Yes       No       Not sure

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Town \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
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# In Pictures



Opening of Northern Lake College - Fox Creek campus



Meeting with Big Lakes County Council in High Prairie



Whitecourt Christmas Parade



Meeting for coffee with constituents in Slave Lake



Celebrating at Hillcrest Lodge with people from across the riding who turned 90+



Meeting with MD of Lesser Slave River



Met with Congressman Burgess Owens a Republican from Utah focused on Faith, Family, Free Market, and Education. We share a passion for fighting human trafficking.



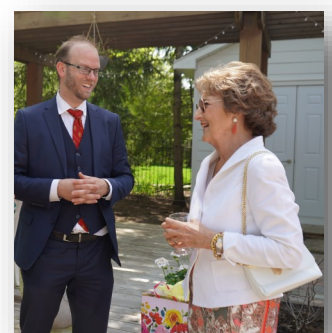
Congratulating CoryAnn and Stuart for being honoured for their work in our community.



Protested outside MindGeek/Pornhub with Independent Senator Julie Miville-Dechêne .



Bringing greetings at Calgary-based Her Next Step Gala that supports recovery and services for victims of sex trafficking



Dutch Princess Beatrice visiting Canada on 80th anniversary of liberation of Netherlands

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