Recipient First Name and Last Name
Title
Office Street Address
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**RE: Alberta’s Critical Worker Benefit Program**

Dear <insert first and last name>,

I am writing to express my frustration about Alberta’s Critical Worker Benefit Program and to seek your assistance in ensuring this program is fairly distributed to essential workers in the province.

As a frontline worker who was deemed “essential” during the global pandemic, I can tell you that the past year has been very stressful and challenging for essential workers in Alberta. We take pride in the work that we do and feel a sense of duty in providing Albertans with services on which they have relied throughout this challenging time.

That duty has often come with a steep cost.

Many of our workplaces have experienced outbreaks of COVID-19. In some workplaces, we are grieving the loss of coworkers. Needless to say, the mental and emotional strain these experiences have placed on essential workers has been overwhelming.

We have all understood and accepted the risks that have come with working on the front lines of this pandemic. But the risks we have faced have been the same regardless of our rate of pay or the hours we have worked.

It is ridiculous and, frankly, offensive to suggest that essential workers who make more than $25 per hour or who worked fewer than 300 hours do not deserve to have their sacrifices and contributions recognized through this program. Excluding our coworkers on this arbitrary basis is a slap in the face to all essential workers in Alberta.

We have all been through too much to stand by and allow this injustice to occur unchallenged.

As such, I am asking both as a constituent and an essential worker, that you appeal to Minister Copping and Premier Kenney for a removal of the limitations on eligibility for Alberta’s Critical Worker Benefit and provide the benefit to all essential and critical workers in Alberta.

This will not only streamline the program to make it more efficient and effective, it is also the right thing to do.

Respectfully,

Member First Name and Last Name
Member Street Address
Member City, Province, Postal Code