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Good morning Mayor Verquin,

Throughout Spring 2022, municipalities and stakeholder associations across Alberta have joined together in a Call to Action to the Government of Alberta to reconsider the proposal to transition to a provincial police service. This Call to Action was originally released on June 27, and we are pleased to share an **updated re-release including 92 signatories** to this Call to Action with you today.

You may see the Call to Action attached and hosted on the [Keep Alberta RCMP website](#).

We appreciate each of the 92 signatories for standing together in requesting the Government to reconsider this costly and unsubstantiated proposal. This reflects what Albertans have been saying loud and clear - they do not want an expensive transition to replace the RCMP with a new provincial police service.

To further substantiate the voices of Albertans, please also see [recent polling data](#) conducted over July 2022 that clearly indicates Albertans are not interested in or supportive of a new, expensive Provincial Police Service. Some highlights of this data include:

- 84% of Albertans want to retain the Alberta RCMP outright or with improvements;
- The three most commonly identified top priorities for Albertans are affordability and cost of living, Alberta's economy, and health care; policing is cited as a first priority for only 2% of Albertans.
- Albertans would prefer that the Government focus on increased rural response time, increased resources for policing and increased resources to respond to petty crime.

Additional signatories to the Call to Action continue to be welcomed. As signatories are added, the [list of signatories](#) will be updated. If you are attending the RMA Fall Convention in November, we look forward to seeing you at the Tradeshow on Tuesday, November 8th.

Should you like to connect regarding the Call to Action, please don't hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

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