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Private Members Bill C-465: *An Act respecting a National Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Heritage Day* is up for debate

OTTAWA, January 5th 2010. Rick Norlock's private members' bill, C-465: *An Act Respecting a National Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Heritage Day*, will be up for debate in the House in late March 2010. This enactment would designate the 23rd of September of every year as a "National Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Heritage Day".

"This bill is very important to me, and I look forward to debating the positive impact of these activities in Canada. Hunting, trapping and fishing are a significant part of Canada's national heritage. This bill acknowledges the historical role that these activities had in the development of our nation and the enjoyment and participation of these traditional activities by millions of Canadians and the significant contribution that these activities make to the national economy".
-Rick Norlock, MP Northumberland Quinte West

Today, the millions of Canadians that participate in and enjoy the many aspects of these activities also make significant contributions to wildlife and habitat conservation projects across Canada. Hunters, trappers and anglers are the stewards of our environment and recognize the need for conservation and restoration. Billions of dollars have been raised for conservation projects through the sale of tags, licenses, stamps, tourism, and many other programs. These funds help protect our wildlife and natural habitat, in addition to the countless hours spent by these Canadians volunteering in conservation efforts across Canada.

We would like to thank the following organizations and individuals for their continued support and efforts towards this bill:

Alberta Fish and Game Club Association, British Columbia Wild Life Federation, Delta Waterfowl Foundation, Friends of Fur, Canadian Outdoors Network, Ducks Unlimited Canada, Fur Institute of Canada, Hunting for Tomorrow Foundation, La Fédération Québécoise des Chasseurs et Pêcheurs, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, Outdoors Caucus, Prince Edward Island Wildlife Federation, Newfoundland and Labrador Wildlife Federation, Robert Sopuck, Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation, Wild Life Habitat Canada
