

September 5, 2026

Dear BC Members of Parliament,

Re: Support for Bill S-209, Protecting Young Persons from Exposure to Pornography Act

I am writing on behalf of the First Call Child and Youth Advocacy Society, based in British Columbia, to ask you to support Bill S-209, which will make it an offence for organizations to make pornographic material available to young persons on the Internet. This protection is necessary and urgent.

Bill S-209, The Protecting Young Persons from Exposure to Pornography Act, passed the Senate unanimously last spring and is currently coming up for second reading in the House of Commons.

Violent, degrading and dehumanizing, this abusive content is freely and easily accessible by children and young people, who are logging into or are inadvertently exposed to online pornography at an increasingly early age.

A growing body of research clearly underscores that children's exposure to this content contributes to multiple harms – impacting children's mental, social, and physical health.

The bill is supported by experts, lawyers, and civil society groups.

We ask you to please support Bill S-209 throughout the legislative process and urge your fellow Members of Parliament to do so as well. It is essential that we protect Canada's 8+ million children from exposure to online pornography.

We are looking to you to prioritize the protection of children and to help ensure that this bill becomes law in Canada.

Sincerely,



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The Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada
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The Honourable Anna Gainey, Secretary of State, Children and Youth
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