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Dear Karolina,

Thank you for your letter in which you express concern about Private Member's Bill C-266, *An Act to establish Pope John Paul II Day*, sponsored by Wladyslaw Lizon, MP for Mississauga East—Cooksville.

I want to assure you that I support the separation of church and state in Canada. I also support recognizing the role of Pope John Paul II in helping Poland achieve independence from the Soviet Union. His contributions in this regard are important to many Polish-Canadians, whether Catholic or not. As you may be aware, I supported recognizing another religious leader, His Holiness the Dalai Lama, as a honorary Canadian citizen.

I appreciate that you have taken the time to express to me your particular concerns about this Private Member's Bill and for bringing to my attention the work of Janina Fialkowska. I have taken the liberty of sharing your letter with the bill's sponsor, Mr. Lizon, for his review.

Sincerely,

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