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| **Easy Do-it-Yourself Letter to a Politician** |
| Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Use the full name and proper honorific (Mr./Mrs./Ms.) for MPs, MPPs, and councillors. Use “Premier” for the Premier of a province. |
| I am writing you today as a resident of your ward/riding regarding \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | Let them know you are their constituent (ward for councillors, riding for MP/MPPs) and name the issue about which you are concerned. |
| I am angry/shocked/sad that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | Cite a specific statistic or fact that resonates with you and tell them how it makes you feel. |
| As a Christian, I am concerned about this because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | If part of your feeling is motivated by your faith, include this. |
| My church, St Peter and St Simon-the Apostle (Anglican) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but I would like to see the government do their part by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | Let them know what you or the church are already doing to help, then ask them to take responsibility as well. If possible, have a concrete request (increase funding for affordable housing, support Bill C-262, etc.) |
| I know you are also concerned about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What actions will you take to address this issue? | Thank them if you know they have worked on this issue before, or if you don’t know, assume they do care, and ask them what they will do to help. |
| I look forward to hearing from you. | Ask for a response! |
| Yours sincerely,NameAddressPhone number and/or e-mail address | Include your full name and address including postal code so they know you are a constituent. Include a way for them to respond. |
| cc. other politicians/organizations who have received the letter | If you are contacting multiple people or groups about an issue, customize the opening but list the others being contacted after “cc.” |

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| **Fill in the Blanks** |
| Name and honorific of who I am writing to |  |
| Riding or ward? (Neither if contacting premier) |  |
| Topic of letter |  |
| Fact about this issue |  |
| As a Christian I care because |  |
| What I/the church is doing already |  |
| What I want the government to do |  |
| Who else am I contacting |  |