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## Vellacott applauds small businesses and entrepreneurs for their resilience during the economic downturn

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**OTTAWA** – In the House of Commons today, Saskatoon-Wanuskewin MP Maurice Vellacott said:

As we reach the end of Small Business week I'd like to acknowledge Canada's entrepreneurs and the resilience they have shown through the economic downturn.

Our government is standing firmly behind small business by increasing access to financing, lowering their taxes and cutting red tape.

A recent survey by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, rated my home province, Saskatchewan as having the highest number of business friendly cities in the country.

The World Bank *'Doing Business 2010'* report ranks Canada as the second easiest country in the world to start a business.

Our Economic Action Plan is working and small businesses are poised to lead the recovery. To entrepreneurs across the country we salute you!

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