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The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada

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Dear Prime Minister,

We are writing to you on behalf of the 200,000 strong members of the Canadian Macedonian Community to offer our gratitude for your Government's decision to recognize the Republic of Macedonia under her constitutional and historic name. This decision has made it possible for members of the Canadian Macedonian Community to feel fully accepted into Canadian society; and we are proud that the Conservative Party of Canada under your leadership has made this possible despite much pressure and lobbying to do otherwise.

This action serves to strengthen the Republic of Macedonia and add to the stability of the Balkan region. Also, we feel comfort that our many relatives in Macedonia feel more positively about their future.

The Canadian Macedonian Community feels strongly that Canadian citizens were wise to elect you as their Prime Minister as you have demonstrated both boldness and insight. The Canadian Macedonian Community shall never forget this gesture towards our community and the Republic of Macedonia.

On behalf of the entire Canadian Macedonian Community, comprising of all religious, cultural, human rights, and all other Macedonian organizations in Canada.

Respectfully Yours,

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