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There are a number of issues that Canadians are critically concerned about that are not being adequately addressed within the current state of the Canadian political system. Among them; human rights, universal public healthcare, affirming the quality of our democracy; building safer communities; environmental protection; and combating corruption in government.

Many are also concerned with our country's unwillingness to take a leadership role in putting an end to the ongoing genocide in Darfur, Sudan. Furthermore, many Canadians, myself included, appreciate the importance of spirituality in inspiring compassion, empathy, and social justice in Canada and internationally and there seems a lack of this spirituality in the policy and decision-making processes of the Canadian Parliament.

The Cosmopolitan pilot project and movement offers a new and rejuvenated political choice to Canadians, reflecting many of the values that I embrace.

Cosmopolitan recognizes the vital importance for Canada to provide timely political leadership and peacemaking intervention on Darfur and shares the values championed by Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and former Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson. These values seek to define Canada's national identity as an independent and constructive leader in international issues, inspired by our multi-cultural heritage and spiritual values.

As an independent member of parliament, I have been able to represent the concerns of my constituents on critical domestic and international issues. Cosmopolitan creates a context for the election of other Members of Parliament who are inspired by vital issues and values that are of greatest concern to their constituents.

I urge Canadians who are concerned with the present and future welfare of this country, and the world in general, to inform themselves and get involved with viable new national political alternatives. Clearly, there is a need for progressive change from a form of party politics in Canada that has created public cynicism of the political integrity of elected



members of Parliament to provide effective representation on behalf of the diverse Canadian public.

I applaud Cosmopolitan's support of the need to affirm our international human rights obligations in Darfur, as a vital expression of Canada as a dynamic, vibrant, multicultural society dedicated to human rights. Your efforts to create a political alternative founded on the premise of human rights and greater participation by all are greatly welcomed.

Sincerely,

David Kilgour