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Linda Caron, MNA for La Pinière
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Linda Caron your MNA

Dear Neighbours,

The year 2025 marks the 85th anniversary of women's right to vote and eligibility to run as candidates in Quebec. Knowing how long and arduously women fought to obtain those rights, I feel all the more honoured to be your Member of National Assembly (MNA).

Whenever I walk past the Monument in Tribute to Women in Politics, on the western side of Parliament Building, I am reminded of the admirable, courageous, and tenacious trailblazers to whom it pays homage: Marie Lacoste-Gérin-Lajoie, Idola Saint-Jean, Thérèse Casgrain, and Marie-Claire Kirkland, the latter being the first woman elected to the National Assembly, in 1961.

Unveiled in 2012, this monument in their honour owes its conception notably to a former MNA for La Pinière, Mrs. Fatima Houda-Pepin, who presided over the implementation committee for the work of sculptor Jules Lasalle.

I hope to see you this summer in the riding of La Pinière, or to welcome you for a chat at my office.



Services offered at my riding office:

- Help with Quebec government services
- Free Quebec flags
- Submittal of names for a medal or certificate
- Request for MNA Declaration at National Assembly to mark a special event

At your service!

Since October 2022

More than **300** citizen case files
processed

Scheduling and preparation for roughly
600 meetings, visits and activities

Over **\$400,000** awarded to
support volunteer work in more than
200 community organizations

18 "Coffee with the MNA" chats
at the riding office

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Subsidy for our Library

I am happy to report that I managed to convince the Minister of Culture and Communications to free up a subsidy of more than \$2.1 million for the Georgette-Lepage Library here in La Pinière. This subsidy accounts for 50% of the total cost of the project, which seeks to renovate the roof, replace mechanical equipment, and refurbish the ground floor. This project will also allow for the installation of self-checkout machines, smart drop-off technology, a sorting conveyor, and new furniture.

Book Dropoff at the Riding Office

Did you know that the La Pinière riding office is now a dropoff point for book donations to the Fondation des Parlementaires québécois – Cultures à partager? Your donations contribute to intercultural exchanges in Quebec and the rest of the world, stocking school libraries, and improving literacy amongst francophone communities.

Please call us at 450-678-0611 before bringing your books in one or more boxes.

For more details, please visit:

culturesapartager.org/quoi-donner (in French only).

Parliamentary Work

Throughout the 2024-2025 parliamentary session, I made several declarations to highlight landmark moments, such as Black History Month, and milestones like the 25th anniversary of both Good Shepherd Leisure Group and FORMATIO. I also made declarations to raise awareness for arthritis, caregiving, intermediary resources, and visual handicaps.

On October 1, 2024, I tabled a motion adopted unanimously to highlight the International Day of Older Persons. I stressed how the importance of combatting ageism, isolation and mistreatment, as well as offering all seniors the opportunity to live with dignity, is a collective responsibility.

In addition to budget appropriations, I sat on parliamentary committees and intervened on several bills, notably Bill 67 amending the Professional Code, Bill 68 on reducing doctors' administrative tasks, Bill 73 tackling the non-consensual sharing of intimate images, Bill 82



on the creation of a new national digital identity, Bill 83 on medical practice in our health and social services system, and Bill 100 on negotiations in public and semi-public sectors.

I also tabled a petition signed by 3,380 people demanding the government respect its repeated promise to proceed with an expansion project for the Bedford CHSLD in the Eastern Townships. Unfortunately, the government preferred to renege on its promise.



Local Resources and Activities for Seniors

Many of you have asked me where to find services and activities for seniors in the riding of La Pinière. My team drew up a list of organizations offering such services or activities to keep seniors active both physically and socially. After reaching out to these organizations to get their permission, we created a free guide, available at our riding office and on my website at www.lindacaron.ca.



With Ms. Marguerite Dupuis on her 108th birthday



Out in the community I'm here for you!

Honorable Mentions

It's always a pleasure for me to highlight milestones (100th birthdays, golden wedding anniversaries, etc.), successes, and accomplishments. Feel free to write to me at Linda.Caron.LAPI@assnat.qc.ca, and my team will be of assistance if you want someone recognized in that way.

Presenting a certificate to Ms. Gertrude Plante Hébert on her 95th birthday



Spaghetti dinner with the 51st Scout Group of Brossard



Candid shot taken during a Walk for Seniors' Wellbeing organised by AREQ



Presenting a cheque to the South Shore Association for Public Transit



With Ms. Aliette Lamothe, recipient of the 2024 Montréal Seniors' Tribute Award, and her husband



Presenting a cheque to the Fondation d'entraide de Brossard



Giving remarks at the Women in Action Forum to highlight the contribution of women, including seniors, in various fields on the 85th anniversary of women's right to vote and eligibility to run for office in Quebec



At TROC-Montréal's Regional Symposium for Informal Caregivers

Presenting a cheque to the Maison Tournesols, which supports seniors



Christmas lunch with the South Shore Black Community Association and Doreen Assaad, Mayor of Brossard



Lunar New Year with the Montreal Vietnamese Medical Dental Pharmacy Association and with Alexandra Mendes, MP for Brossard-Saint-Lambert



A visit from Mr. Kevin MacLean of Les Invalides au front to highlight our successful campaign to abolish the retirement penalty that was imposed on disabled seniors aged 65 and up



Walking in the March of Roses, organized by Com'Femme to raise awareness for breast cancer

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With Mr. Robert Bergevin at a spaghetti dinner hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 9741



Celebrations for Tet and for the 50th Anniversary of Boat People arriving in Quebec and Canada



Visiting Carrefour Loisirs 50+ with Mr. Daniel Lafleur and Ms. Suzanne Dumouchel



At Sainte-Claire Elementary School's Christmas Market with members of the school team



Presentation to Sainte-Claire Elementary School's 4th, 5th, and 6th grade Class Presidents

Pictured with Ms. Isabelle Choquette at the Montreal-Montérégie Interregional Colloquium on the theme of "Caring for the Elderly"



Meeting with members of the Conseil des entreprises privées en santé et mieux-être



MNA's Breakfast with members of the Brossard Business Association

Is your community organization or association celebrating an important event? If so, it would be my pleasure to make a declaration at the National Assembly.



Presenting Ms. Vivian Chow a certified copy of a declaration I made at the National Assembly to mark the 25th anniversary of the Good Shepherd Leisure Group



Supporting Brossard's Meals on Wheels



Chat over coffee at Jazz Brossard



With Élise Boyer, General Manager of the Olo Foundation, and Mylène Duplessis Brochu, nutritionist



With Ms. Janette Bertrand who received the Medal of the Speaker of National Assembly



Take note



Coffee with the MNA

Conversations in an informal setting on the last Sunday of the month, from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

September 28, 2025 | October 26, 2025 | November 30, 2025
January 25, 2026 | February 22, 2026 | March 29, 2026
April 26, 2026 | May 31, 2026

Back in September 2025

Free activity open to my neighbours in La Pinière
RSVP at Linda.Caron.LAPI@assnat.qc.ca
or by phone at 450 678-0611



Are you holding a coffee klatsch or neighbourhood gathering? I would be more than happy to join you! Feel free to call and enquire about my availability: 450 678-0611

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