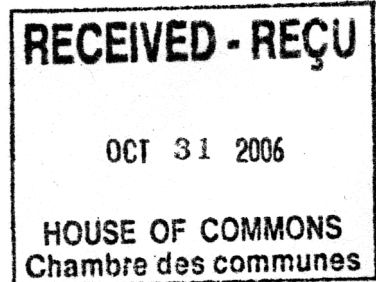




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Honorable Garry Breitkreuz, M.P.  
Room 685, Confederation Building  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON  
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Dear Mr. Breitkreuz:

Last week, I had the pleasure of attending the International Hunter Education Association (IHEA) of Canada's Annual General Meeting in Calgary. It was at this meeting that I learned that you have been instrumental in creating a Canadian Outdoor Caucus. I wish to applaud your efforts, as it is critical that members of the out-of-doors, hunting and shooting sports groups and communities work collectively and harmoniously with their elected officials to ensure the heritage of hunting is passed on to future generations.

The United States Congress has a similar caucus that provides our elected officials with the most up-to-date and accurate information pertaining to wildlife conservation and the hunting and shooting sports. Our former Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton appointed a diverse group of sportsmen and women to serve as caucus members. Although I was not personally selected to serve as a member of the committee, through my affiliation with the Association of Natural Resource Conservation Partners organization, I have immediate access to caucus members in order to share information about hunter education in the United States.

I would urge you and the members of the Canadian Outdoor Caucus to include a member of IHEA Canada as a close confidante of this most worthwhile group. I'm certain that a member of IHEA Canada will be in contact with you in the near future.

Thank you for your efforts and for your continued support of safe hunting throughout Canada and the world.

Sincerely,

Gary Berlin  
Executive Director

cc. IHEA Canada