

<b>What an NDP Team <u>Will</u> Do:</b>	<b>What an NDP Team <u>Will Not</u> Do:</b>
<p><b>We will live within our means.</b></p> <p><b>We will ensure fairness in all government hiring.</b></p> <p><b>We will reward job creators.</b></p> <p><b>We will re-build our primary industries.</b></p> <p><b>We will protect the environment.</b></p>	<p><b>We will not harmonize sales taxes.</b></p> <p><b>We will not favour some Islanders over others.</b></p> <p><b>We will not export our youth.</b></p> <p><b>We will not abandon farmers and fishers.</b></p> <p><b>We will not disrespect doctors, nurses and other health care workers.</b></p>

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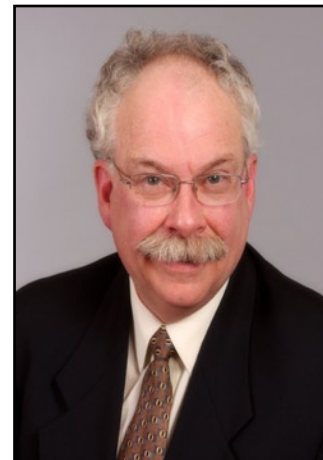
*New Democrats will make life better for Island families and small businesses*



## **A Better Deal for Every Islander!**

Prince Edward Island is a province with great people and the possibility of great future. What's not so great about the Island is the same old politics of broken promises, failed initiatives, lack of leadership and out-sized benefits for the chosen few.

What Islanders need more than ever is a fair government with fresh energy and new ideas to make our province an even better place to live, work, do business and raise a family. That's what our New Democratic Party campaign is all about.



***NDP Leader James Rodd***

Our responsible, straight-forward approach will create opportunities for young people to put down roots here, make it easier for families to get ahead and ensure seniors have the security and care they need.

Please have a look at our practical, balanced plan. It builds on the issues that Islanders have said are important and sets out a common sense course for the future. It's affordable and achievable – a very different approach from the failed record of the Liberal government, which has added \$500,000,000 of debt since coming to office in 2007 (much of it looking after their friends).

This time, send a loud and clear message by voting New Democrat. We will work with you and maintain an open door policy to make our province fair, affordable and a place of opportunity for all.

**On October 3, vote New Democrat.  
Vote for a Better Deal for Every Islander!**

# New Democrats: A Better Deal for Every Islander!

## *The Ten Commitments: Our Plan of Action in Ten Key Areas*

### **Primary Industries – Farming, Fishing and Forestry: Green and Gold!**

- Key to our prosperity and way of life
- Sustainable for the environment and Island communities
- Need to recover the cost of production and receive a reasonable return for those involved in our primary industries

### **Energy and the Environment – They're Connected; Let's Act Like it!**

- Decrease the cost of electricity in Prince Edward Island
- Help Islanders reduce the consumption of oil and electricity to save both money and the environment
- Establish the right conditions for small and medium-sized energy projects that benefit communities and businesses
- Enlist Islanders in the environmental protection of our land, air and water to ensure a healthy environment and economy
- Create a publicly-owned electric utility to reduce costs further

### **Tourism – Tourism Needs New Directions!**

- Involve owners, managers, workers and the public in consultations to develop an industry-led plan
- Overhaul the Department of Tourism
- Promote innovative, profitable and sustainable tourism that respects our heritage, environment and traditions

### **Open Government – It's Our Government; We Have a Right to Know!**

- Eliminate all fees for Access to Information requests
- Deliver Whistleblower legislation to protect workers and taxpayers
- Create an independent Ombudsperson position to help ensure fairness to all islanders

### **Seniors – Dignity, Respect, Security!**

- Work to reduce costs to seniors at every opportunity in government and business
- Co-operate with other provinces to ensure the federal government increases benefits for seniors
- Deliver a Dignity-at-Home program to provide seniors with the help and support they need to stay in their homes longer
- Eliminate drug costs for seniors as part of a larger pharmacare plan for all Islanders

### **Health Care – Mark Your Ballot with an -Ray!**

- Disband Health P.E.I. and make the Minister of Health directly accountable for the provincial health system
- Respect doctors, nurses and other health care workers and they will be eager to work in P.E.I.
- Reduce overall costs and focus on the most needed services

### **Education – Get the Politicians Out of the Classroom!**

- Re-focus the Department of Education to serve the needs of students, educators, parents and communities – not politicians
- Empower community-controlled school boards to make decisions free of political influence
- Focus on providing healthy classrooms and infrastructure

### **Communities and Municipalities – A New Deal is Long Overdue!**

- End the provincial tax break for vacant run-down properties in our municipalities to ensure full occupancy and well-maintained properties
- Give any municipality that wants it, control over its own roads
- Recognize municipal governments as valued partners

### **Youth – Building Hope and Optimism!**

- Create effective employment and training opportunities for youth
- Eliminate student debt if youth stay and work in P.E.I.
- Deliver a succession program to hire youth in island government as older workers retire (including education and health care)
- Provide help for troubled youth, as well as outreach and support for families

### **Economy and Small Business – Jobs, Jobs, Jobs! Not Debt, Debt, Debt!**

- Reward job creators and encourage new industries
- Eliminate red tape for small and medium-sized businesses
- Open up new government opportunities for local businesses to provide more goods and services
- Focus on primary industries by building on what we have
- Diversify economy based on primary industries to increase employment
- Ensure government lives within its means