

Mr. Speaker, these are some of the unsung heroes of our society.

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[English]

ABORTION

Ms. Dawn Black (New Westminster—Burnaby): Mr. Speaker, this week a 20-year old Toronto woman bled to death from a self-induced abortion, using a coat hanger. Apparently, this was the first death from abortion in 20 years.

Also, a 16-year old girl in the Kitchener—Waterloo area recently had a back street abortion. Access to safe, medical abortions has already been diminished since Bill C-43 was passed in this House.

Some doctors have stopped performing abortions because of this government's bill. Women are afraid they will not be able to obtain safe, medical abortions. I did not ask a question on this issue today because it is not a matter of gaining political Brownie points and saying to this government: "I told you so."

This issue is serious and it is preventable. I call on the Prime Minister and his cabinet to have the sense and compassion not to proclaim the bill. Please, we cannot afford another tragedy like this one. It is not too late to save other women from this horrible and unnecessary death.

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NATIONAL ACCESS AWARENESS WEEK

Mr. Jean-Guy Guilbault (Drummond): Mr. Speaker, the week of June 10 to 16 has been declared National Access Awareness Week.

This is a special opportunity for individuals, volunteer organizations, businesses large and small and governments to promote the integration of Canada's 3.5 million disabled people.

Integration is much more than eliminating physical obstacles; it means changing attitudes and ways of doing things to enable everyone who has a handicap, whether visible or not, to participate in the life of their community.

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Mr. Speaker, I am very aware of this issue because for many years, my mother has had to move about in a wheelchair.

I take this opportunity to point out the dedication of many volunteers and organizations in my riding such as the *Office des personnes handicapées du Québec*, headquartered in Drummondville, the Drummondville Disabled Persons' Association and the Regional Handicapped Recreation Association of Central Quebec which will hold sports and games for disabled people in Drummondville October 5 to 8. Eight hundred participants from the province of Quebec are expected at this event, including champions Douglas Lyons and André Viger.

Mr. Speaker, let us help Canadians have access to equality.

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[English]

BROCKVILLE

Mr. Jim Jordan (Leeds—Grenville): Mr. Speaker, for the past several months the city of Brockville has been depicted as the place in Canada where the nightly pastime is to burn Quebec flags. This was alluded to again in this House as recently as yesterday.

For those interested in the truth, the incident which gained national attention was a one-time, isolated, very regrettable one, carried out in Brockville only because the city was hosting the Ontario government caucus last September and therefore providing a natural forum for a few people unknown to most Brockville residents, a forum for these strangers to assemble briefly and express themselves in a very unacceptable way.

In the hope that we could finally put the event to rest once and for all, let me tell all hon. members that Brockville is a city of immense goodwill. If they need further convincing, they should come to our annual goodwill festival known as Riverfest which runs from June 22 to July 1. They can come and draw their own conclusions as to the goodwill and sincerity of the people of Brockville and area.

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CANADIAN AIR

Ms. Joy Langan (Mission—Coquitlam): Mr. Speaker, 340 workers from Canadian Air in Richmond work in the Canadian reservations office. That office handles all