

**Brad Trost, MP**

Saskatoon – Humboldt

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## **News Release**

# **MP Trost calls on Saskatchewan to support Humboldt**

*Hockeyville Challenge reaches the House of Commons*

**OTTAWA** – Brad Trost, Member of Parliament for Saskatoon-Humboldt, accepted a challenge on behalf of the City of Humboldt, which was issued today in the House of Commons by NDP MP Nathan Cullen (representing the riding of Skeena-Bulkley Valley).

Cullen challenged Trost to wear the Hockeyville 2009 jersey for the City of Terrace in the House of Commons if Terrace accumulates enough votes to be named Hockeyville.

“Naturally, I expect Mr. Cullen to be wearing a Humboldt jersey in Ottawa. Cullen’s challenge fosters friendly competition and I accept. But the important thing is to get the vote out for Humboldt. Humboldt’s love of sport, its sense of community and devotion to Canada’s national past time by the many volunteers involved in minor hockey deserves national attention and praise,” Trost said.

“I am calling on all of the people of Saskatchewan and their friends and relatives living across Canada to vote for Humboldt to be named Hockeyville 2009. Humboldt is a great hockey town. We live, eat and breathe hockey. We are Hockeyville,” Trost said.

It is very important that you get out and vote for Humboldt to be Canada’s Hockeyville for 2009. Cast your vote for Humboldt, Canada’s next Hockeyville. Vote online: [www.cbcsports.ca/hockeyville](http://www.cbcsports.ca/hockeyville) or call toll free: 1-866-533-8066. SMS text message your vote by texting the words “Vote” and “Humboldt” to 222111. The voting period to determine the winning community is from Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 11 p.m. ET to March 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:59:59 p.m. ET. Voting is unlimited.

For more information, contact the Ottawa office of MP Brad Trost at (613) 992-8052.

## **Background**

### **MP Cullen's Members Statement in the House of Commons**

**Friday, February 27, 2009**

Nathan Cullen (Skeena—Bulkley Valley, NDP): Mr. Speaker, Terrace, B.C. has caught hockeyville fever, one of the five finalists in CBC's hockeyville contest. Rarely have we seen such enthusiasm around the community of Terrace. No B.C. community has yet, and I say yet, won Hockeyville because that is about to change.

Three hundred and twenty-eight thousand votes came in in just four days. I am so confident that Terrace is going to win that I have chosen to challenge the member for Saskatoon—Humboldt to wear the Terrace hockeyville jersey when his community unfortunately loses, coming up in March.

Terrace and the whole of northwestern British Columbia has fallen on some hard times, but they have shown us what the best of our communities are by pulling together, celebrating one another. Good luck to Terrace, B.C.