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Dear Minister Osborne,

Congratulations on your appointment as Minister of Health! We are excited by the fresh perspective you bring to this important role.

BC Family Doctors is the political and economic voice of family doctors in B.C. We represent and advocate for the more than 6000 family doctors in BC. We work closely with the Ministry of Health and other stakeholders on key policy initiatives, such as the Longitudinal Family Physician Payment Model.

Family doctors are the cornerstone of our health care system, delivering longitudinal, relationship-based care that is proven to achieve the best health outcomes for patients.

Unfortunately, British Columbians are experiencing a crisis in primary care, with many unable to access a family doctor. Across the province, family doctors are facing significant challenges, including unsustainable workloads, rising costs of running practices, and barriers to providing the kind of care their patients need.

We hope your leadership will drive meaningful changes to address these pressing issues, ensuring every British Columbian has access to a family doctor—a specialist in primary care—who can provide ongoing, personalized care. We are also hopeful that your term will bring renewed solutions to the unique and pressing challenges in rural health care.

We are committed to working with you and your team to strengthen primary care in B.C., support family doctors and create a system where all patients can receive the care they deserve.

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We are eager to meet to discuss solutions essential for sustaining and improving primary care, the foundation of our healthcare system. As a mother of two girls, a business owner and a family doctor with 20 years of experience, I applaud your commitment to our province and look forward to our meeting.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Maryam Zeineddin  
President, BC Family Doctors

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