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Mayor Ken Sim statement on Federal Government bail reform announcement

VANCOUVER, B.C. – In response to the Federal Government’s announcement of upcoming bail reform legislation, Vancouver Mayor Ken Sim released the following statement:

“Vancouver has been at the forefront of advocating for meaningful bail reform to keep violent reoffenders off our streets and restore confidence in our justice system. Since the outset of my term, I’ve raised these concerns with the federal government, including directly with Justice Minister and Attorney General Sean Fraser, and I’m encouraged to see that advocacy reflected in today’s announcement.

“My top priority is, and always will be, the safety and well-being of Vancouverites. For too long, repeat violent offenders have cycled through the justice system and back onto our streets. That’s not the kind of system people deserve, and it’s why we’ve continued to push for real change.

“I want to thank Prime Minister Carney and Minister Fraser for bringing this legislation forward. I hope this is a positive step toward safer streets here in Vancouver and in communities across the country. We look forward to reviewing the final legislation to ensure it meets the needs of all Vancouverites and delivers real, lasting results.”

Mayor Sim has released a filmed version of the statement [available by clicking here](#).

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