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Subject: Re: letter from Karen Wang

Dear Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Susan, Braeden & Sangeeta:

I would like to withdraw my Liberal candidacy Resignation & would like the party to reconsider me a second chance to run for the by election.

I would like to say a few words here to defend my reputation. On my wechat post In Chinese I said that my opponent was of indian descent. I meant no disrespect by that comment. As far as I am concerned it was merely a statement of fact. I did not mean it as a racial comment. He is of Indian descent and I am of Chinese descent. I am surprised to find that such a comment is unacceptable and even more surprised that it resulted in me being required to withdraw as a candidate. I deeply resent the implication in the story that I am involved in money laundering and real estate speculation. Those suggestions are completely false. I was surprised to read in the story that there are bad relations between Chinese and Indians. I have many Indian friends and as far as I am aware the two communities get along well. In summary I am not a racist. I treat all Canadians equally regardless of their race, religion, or anything else and I am deeply offended by the false suggestion that I am a racist. I consider running for office is a way to give back to this country who has given me everything when I came here with my husband 20 yrs ago under the highly trained manpower program from China with nothing. We both grew up in a village in China & went to university there & came as young coupe with no money(in debt) but a dream to look for a better life. We became Canadian citizens as soon as we are eligible to submit the application. My extended family now about 20 people are living in the community & settled well in the new country & we are all so proud & grateful for this great country who gives us the opportunity to work hard & be successful.

I strongly believe in the liberal party's values-liberty, equality, diversity, internationalism, responsibility, human dignity, democracy, religious freedom, speech freedom, compassion & Multiculturalism and a just society! I consider Justin Trudeau as my role model as a politician for his fairness, wisdom, compassion, charisma & big heart for our people!

I am planning to have a media conference @1pm@Burnaby Public Library-6100 Willingdon Ave Burnaby

Sincerely



Karen Wang