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On Possible Lifting of Travel Requirements at Canadian Border

I'm encouraged by recent reports that indicate the additional COVID-imposed travel requirements at the Canadian border may soon be lifted. For months, I have been calling for and to end the confusing and burdensome requirements, including the use of the unreliable 'ArriveCan' app.

Travel to and from Canada has been restricted for more than two years, and it has not only been an inconvenience for many Western New York families, but it has been economically devastating for our border communities.

Our economy in Western New York is directly correlated with our strong relationship with our northern neighbors, and it is well past time to remove the border restrictions placed by the Canadian government that have crippled our economy and stifled the free flow of people and goods between our communities.

I want to thank all the representatives at all levels of government who are working together on a long overdue resolution to this issue.

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