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STATEMENT

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A statement from Stephanie Kusie, MP on the Alberta Review Board’s disposition for Matthew de Grood

CALGARY, AB -- Today, the Alberta Review Board (ARB) released their disposition in the case of Matthew de Grood, the “Brentwood Five” killer.

After de Grood’s annual assessment, which took place on September 8th, the Alberta Review Board is “of the opinion that de Grood is a significant threat to the safety of the public and is not entitled to an absolute discharge.” The ARB also reversed some recommendations to allow unsupervised access to the community, including the potential for moving to a group home.

Calgary Midnapore MP, Stephanie Kusie, who has been working alongside the victims’ families, is pleased with the ARB’s decision. “Today, we received a common sense ruling which put the safety of Canadians first,” said Kusie. “It’s also given these five grieving families some comfort in knowing that the person who took the lives of their loved ones will continue to receive an appropriate level of supervision and care in line with the violent crimes he committed.”

When Parliament resumes, Kusie will put forward a motion to the Standing Committee on Justice to examine decisions from provincial Review Boards related to individuals found Not Criminally Responsible (NCR).

“The families of de Grood’s victims can breathe a sigh of relief today as, thanks to their continued efforts, a clear decision has been made in favour of public safety,” added Kusie.

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