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BRIDGEWATER, NS - Rick Perkins, Member of Parliament for South Shore—St. Margaret's, released the following statement on the 2022 budget:

This is an irresponsible budget. It is a budget funded by Canadians suffering from inflation. Residents in South Shore—St. Margaret's are looking for support from their federal government. They didn't get any from the NDP-Liberal budget today.

The more Liberals spend, the more expensive everything gets. The NDP-Liberal government has doubled down on their uncontrolled spending and higher taxes. Instead of tax breaks for Canadians, Trudeau is using inflation revenue to grow the government.

Conservatives called for three things in this budget:

- 1) controlled spending to reduce inflation;
- 2) tax breaks for Canadians; and
- 3) substantial action on increasing housing supply.

Unfortunately, we got none of them.

Tourism businesses from Peggy's Cove to Shag Harbour were looking for a break coming out of the pandemic. Instead, they are facing higher costs.

Fishers and coastal communities were looking for the government to support them. Instead, the cost of doing business will continue to rise.

Conservatives will always to stand up for families and small business owners who are suffering from inflation and higher taxes thanks to this NDP-Liberal budget.

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