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The Right Honourable Stephen Harper  
Prime Minister of Canada  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario  
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**Subject: Presidential Election in Iran**

Dear Prime Minister Harper,

It is with profound concern that I write to you about the current situation in Iran.

Years ago, my family and I came to Canada, and we have enjoyed the freedom that this country has to offer. I have had the honour of being the first Iranian-Canadian elected to a Legislative Assembly in Canada.

Canada is respected as a democracy with a stable, fair and transparent electoral system. On an international level, Canada is known for advancing democracy and human rights.

I strongly support the Government of Canada's efforts in calling for an investigation into the electoral discrepancies. My hope for Iran is that there is a peaceful resolution to this situation.

I urge the Government of Canada to continue speaking out against the restrictions on free speech and democracy in Iran, and to seek a fully transparent investigation into the election results. The Iranian people must have the opportunity to voice their opinions freely and without fear of harm.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Reza Moridi'.

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