

# Statement of Randy Hillier, Elected Member of the Ontario Legislature - 2022-03-03 - End of a Chapter

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## SPEAKERS

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### **Randy Hillier** 00:00

My name is Randy Hillier. I'm the independent member for the Ontario Legislature representing the riding of Lanark Frontenac and Kingston. I've got an important message for today, a message that will be greeted with sadness by some. And that will be greeted with glee by others.

### **Randy Hillier** 00:23

In fact, it will be much like what has happened to our society these days where we live in a very polarized society. People are either right or wrong. There is no in between. There is no room for discussion, or nuance, context or circumstances. We've seen this play out to our detriment over the last couple of years. And, and I would say, it's getting worse. It's not getting better.

### **Randy Hillier** 01:00

There's many reasons for it. I'm not going to go into all the reasons. But I think if anyone looks at the state of Canadian society today, the state of political discourse in debate in Canada, they will recognize that there is a level of vitriol, a level of animus invective that is present today that, to the degree we've never before seen.

### **Randy Hillier** 01:34

But let me first address a couple other items. I've been an elected member for 15 years. I've been successful in four elections. I've had the support of the people of Lanark Frontenac for 15 years, often with very substantial majorities. And in the last few years, especially since I came out opposing the narrative that we were living in the most dangerous times of COVID that warranted the, warranted the destruction of our representative democracy, warranted states of emergency and the suspension of civil

liberties, the trampling of our charter protected rights and freedoms - I have been offside with public opinion.

**Randy Hillier 02:40**

Many people in the public clamored and encouraged our governments to take these excessive measures to allay their fears, to allay the anxiety. We have, in effect, been ruled by the mob for the last couple of years. And I don't see that ending anytime soon.

**Randy Hillier 03:16**

And as part of that, I've have been condemned by a number of municipal councils in my area. Condemned because I dared have a different view, a contrary view, a view that the virus did not require us to trample our Charter of Rights and Freedoms - did not require us to close up our businesses, our schools, our health care, that these were all unnecessary.

**Randy Hillier 03:57**

And the facts and evidence have borne this out. Every measure that we've taken has had limited or no effect, beneficial effect, on the spread of the virus. Everything that we have done has caused far more harm, far more injury to far more people than what the virus ever could.

**Randy Hillier 04:25**

But because I had this dissenting view, and was willing to share it and be public and to be vocal about this, it wasn't just municipal councils that condemned me. It was not just the media parrots who condemned me - but also the Ontario legislature has condemned me now on two occasions.

**Randy Hillier 04:52**

The last one has now taken the never-before-seen action of actually preventing me from being in the legislature and representing that point of view, or my constituents' point of view, or my constituents who share my view - which is a substantial number. The speaker has been authorized not to recognize me, not to permit me to table motions, or order paper questions.

**Randy Hillier 05:31**

The house has authorized the speaker to prevent me from asking questions, or attending committees. And this is all apparently now because of some tweets that I put out.

**Randy Hillier 05:49**

And let me be very clear on this. I stand by those messages. I don't stand by the lies that have been attributed to those messages. I don't stand with the exaggerations and the embellishments that people have taken liberty with, with those tweets. I've stated quite clearly, that if people are upset with our institutions and our government, they should feel free to contact those institutions in our government and express their displeasure. That is what a civil society does. That's what a democracy does. But I have been condemned for saying just that.

**Randy Hillier 06:38**

When our federal cabinet and our premier instituted policies that precipitated and created the Freedom Convoy, those policies that would prevent people, prevent truckers from traveling to the United States, picking up much needed commodities, necessities, including food. And we were seeing impacts of that. I put a message out. I put a press release out. I stated quite clearly that any government that would purposely put in place policies that would disrupt our food supply in the middle of winter, must be considered terrorists.

**Randy Hillier 07:31**

I said that is applicable to both Doug Ford, his cabinet, and Justin Trudeau in his cabinet. Not once did I mention the race, creed, color, ethnicity of any member in those cabinets. I said it was applicable to all of them.

**Randy Hillier 07:56**

The mainstream media and my political opponents have suggested that I'm racist because I called Justin Trudeau and his cabinet "terrorists". They have pointed out that there is an individual within that Cabinet who is of, who is a Muslim, who, you know, There's many Muslims in Canadian society. There's many Muslims in the Ontario Legislature in the Federal Parliament. I've never once mentioned or, or identified anyone's ethnicity.

**Randy Hillier 08:47**

In my view, everyone who impacts our food supply purposely is engaged in an act of terrorism. I stand by that. But for these reasons, and, of course, my opposition to the trampling of our civil liberties, and my outspokenness - I'm no longer permitted to be recognized in the legislature. Leaving the people of Latin Frontenac without a voice in the legislature.

**Randy Hillier 09:23**

Now, of course, our government in Ontario has started on this steps a year ago. In February of 2021 they implemented a mandatory mask rule that you could not go into the legislature without wearing a mask - even though the evidence was overwhelming that the mask had no impact on the spread of the virus. I refused, as I always have.

**Randy Hillier 09:56**

I will not play this game. This dangerous game of fear, this narrative of danger that suggests and symbolizes that people are dangerous vectors of disease. It is wholly repugnant. This mandatory mask measure does nothing to stop the spread of the virus. But it does everything to amplify the falsehood of fear and danger.

**Randy Hillier 10:34**

But that was not enough for the Ontario legislature. In September of 2021, they also implemented a mandatory Vax and test procedure for all members. If you were not vaxed they were not going to permit you to enter the house. They had one exception to that. If you wanted to engage and test with a test that we know is faulty - that by the government's own words, own statements, own evidence demonstrates that the both the rapid antigen test and the PCR test provide false positives.

**Randy Hillier 11:24**

But they made a rule if you took these tests, if you weren't vaxed, they would permit you in. Under certain conditions. Again, this is a measure to amplify the fear, exaggerate the danger, and demonstrate to the fearful mob that our government is doing something when in fact, they're doing the opposite, opposite of something good. They are engaged in negligent, dangerous behavior.

**Randy Hillier 12:01**

For 15 years, it's been a very much a roller coaster being in political life. I have had the great pleasure of assisting so many people, assisting and helping out and speaking out for those who are facing the injustice of government has been an absolutely rewarding time. However, with public life with partisan politics also comes see the negative. And that is the actual partisan politics, where political parties and members of political parties do not make choices and decisions based on what is beneficial to our constituents. Political caucuses make choices and decisions based on what is beneficial for the political party.

**Randy Hillier 12:59**

Make no mistake, no mistake whatsoever. At no time, does a political party recognize the interest of their constituents when they decide how they will vote on a policy or what policy to bring in. It is done solely and only to the benefit of the political party.

**Randy Hillier 13:28**

Our political system is dysfunctional. It is not a representative democracy. At best, it may be considered a stakeholder or corporate democracy in my view, because corporate interests, stakeholder interests in the party are what drives the agenda.

**Randy Hillier 13:49**

And we saw this during the recent freedom convoy in Ottawa where Justin Trudeau needlessly and recklessly instituted the Emergencies Act - where he said a convoy that was protesting COVID policies, a convoy and a protest of people who were festive, who were having fun expressing their dissatisfaction. A protest, where there was bouncy castles, and hot tubs and pancake breakfasts was characterized by our Prime Minister as an insurrection and an attempt to overthrow the government.

**Randy Hillier 14:36**

I was there for three weeks. Not once did I see any violence. Not once did I see any aggression. And now a few weeks after implementing the Emergencies Act, and the abusive, violent use of force by police to remove that protest - not one charge has been levied other than public mischief. There have been no charges of criminality. There has been no seizure of firearms or body armor. All the charges have been public mischief to the best of my knowledge. That, we used the Emergency Measures Act for.

**Randy Hillier 15:30**

But also during that debate on the Emergencies Act, 338 elected representatives voted, and they voted in favor. But what was interesting, not one of them voted against their party line. Not one of them had the courage or the resolve, or the intellect to do other than what their party directed them to do.

**Randy Hillier 16:01**

These are not constituent representatives. These are party representatives. They are representatives of the stakeholders, or the corporate interests. They are not representatives of the people in their ridings.

**Randy Hillier 16:17**

In my view, I've come to the conclusion that there is not a political solution to what ails our society - the division, the polarization, the animus, the censorship, the suppression of views. These will not be fixed politically. Indeed, as I speak, our federal government is enacting even further legislation to restrict political opposition to censor views, to criminalize opposing views.

**Randy Hillier 17:04**

I'll go back and say what ought to be clear to everyone - what is clear to me - is we use the term 'leaders' to describe politicians. But politicians are not leaders. They follow public opinion. They follow, they do not lead. We've seen this very clearly in the last couple of years, that politicians are too fearful to speak truthfully and honestly with the people in our country. They're too fearful and cowardly to have an opinion that goes against the mainstream narrative. They cannot defend anything other than what the narrative is.

**Randy Hillier 17:54**

I know many people in elected office who shared and share my views with - shared my views that COVID was not as dangerous as it was purported to be, that the danger was exaggerated. But they didn't speak out. They were dishonest to themselves. They were dishonest to the people in their communities. They were fearful of being removed from caucus. They were fearful of being scorned by the media.

**Randy Hillier 18:31**

We are living in a dishonest age, where honesty has no value anymore. Where dishonesty is the currency of politics. The only solution, the only way that we can ever get back to a free and prosperous country - a country that does have a representative democracy, a country that does respect the rule of law, human rights, our civil liberties, our Charter of Rights and Freedoms - is if we reengage with people and help shape public opinion, help people understand the value of freedom.

**Randy Hillier 19:23**

On June 2nd, I will not be contesting for the seat of Lanark Frontenac Kingston. Our political system is broken. There is no sense spending any more time trying to fix a broken system from within when the problem lies without.

**Randy Hillier 19:51**

I'll continue to be outspoken. And I'll continue to be a voice for freedom. And I look forward continuing to work with so many good people who do recognize the danger and look forward to working with them as we help shape public opinion, help restore the view and the understanding that freedom, healthy discussion, debate will bring us prosperity, will bring us enjoyment. And we'll end this age of dishonesty that we have embraced in Canada, in Ontario today.

**Randy Hillier** 20:37

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