

HON. STEVEN FLETCHER P.C., P.Eng., MBA, ICD.D

Purpose | Integrity | Vision | Resilience |

Steven was always intrigued by the way in which decisions made by elected representatives played out in the public domain and watched with interest, absorbing what worked, and what did not, in the often adversarial environment of partisan politics. It is through public service and his belief with passion where he endeavors to empower and support Canadians to reach their full potential. Steven's dedication has made powerful impacts on individuals and the community at large.

He has used his life experience as his own reference as he pursued a life of purpose to make other lives better. His efforts have resulted in significant impacts and contributions in the formation of the framework for many social and economic programs and included five years in the Cabinet of Prime Minister Stephen Harper. At the age of 36, Mr. Fletcher rose to serve in the federal cabinet and was appointed to as a Member of the Queens Privy Council.

Steven Fletcher has shown courageous leadership throughout his professional and personal life. His accomplished political career (2004-2015) that included five years as a Cabinet Minister. At the age of 32, Steven was elected as a Member of Parliament. Being an elected official is a remarkable achievement for anyone, but much more so in Steven Fletcher's case. A collision with a moose at the age of 23 left him completely paralyzed from the neck down and his body and life devastated in a sea of hopelessness.

Steven was a strong influencer and contributor as part of the key decision-making bodies that served and supported the economic viability of services and infrastructure of the global financial crisis in 2008. He was the longest-serving Member (2008-2013) on the Federal Treasury Board and served on numerous cabinet committees including Economic Development and Sustainability and Social Affairs. As Minister of State – Transport, Steven Fletcher laid the foundation for fundamental changes to Crown Corporations (i.e. Canada Post, Canadian Air Transport Security Authority, etc.).

Steven Fletcher's commitment to the wellbeing of all citizens of Canada resulted in significant impacts during his time as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health (2006-2008) and as the Senior health Critic for her Majesty's Loyal Opposition (2004-2006). In 2006 Steven received the Champion of Mental Health Award. He has received awards for community involvement, including a special award from the National Cancer Leadership Forum for advocating a national cancer strategy. He is also the recipient of the Courage and Leadership Award from the Canadian Cancer Society and was inducted into the Terry Fox Hall of Fame in 2006. Steven was also awarded the King Clancy Award, as well as being a recipient of her Majesty's Golden Jubilee and Diamond Jubilee Medal for his contributions to Canada.

In 2016, Steven was elected as a Member of the Manitoba Legislature in the provincial riding of Assiniboia and introduced a record number of meritorious pieces of legislation for a single member.

There are two biographies written about Steven and published by Heartland Publishers. The first one covers Stevens background and post accident challenges from 1996 to the 2008 Federal Election. The second book titled " Master of my Fate" chronicles Stevens political and personal challenges from 2008 to 2015.

Steven is the author of numerous of scores of articles in National Publications on a very wide range of subjects of public interest. He is also authored several articles for The Economist magazine at there request.

Stevens story is featured in political text books for high school students and public policy textbooks for post secondary education as an example of ability.

Resilience is our ability to persevere and adapt in the face of adversity. Steven Fletcher has and continues to show resilience in the face of adversity and his capacity to see opportunity in crisis, challenging the status quo, and creating new beginnings is a testament to his commitment to all people of his community and Canada.

He is a role model through action.

His life brings hope to all of us.

Regardless of who we are, where we come from, or what happens to us in our own journeys, there is always hope, especially if you live in Canada.

Steven has done incredibly difficult tasks to lay the foundation to achieve. Success is where preparation and opportunity meet. Steven brings success to any organization that is fortunate to have him.