

Rehya Yazbek running for NDP in Dufferin-Caledon

Federal New Democrats in Dufferin-Caledon have nominated Rehya Yazbek to be their candidate in the upcoming federal election. "A mother of three, Rehya knows first-hand the pressures that middle-class families are facing from juggling work and home life to making ends meet," said NDP Leader Tom Mulcair. "Rehya's been an advocate for her community for many years, and I know she'd be a strong voice in Dufferin-Caledon."

A working mom, with 20 years experience in the retail food sector, Yazbek currently works on staff for the United Food and Commercial Workers union and lives with her family outside Inglewood, where her husband runs a small business, repairing specialized auto components.

Yazbek has been active in a number of organizations ranging from Amnesty International to her daughter's Girl Guide troop, where she was beloved as Sunshine Owl.

She carried the NDP colours in Dufferin-Caledon in last year's provincial election, finishing fourth.

"Many of the people I represent work in part-time and precarious work," she said. "They're working harder and harder but can't get ahead. Stephen Harper's plan just isn't working and that's why we need change. Tom Mulcair has a plan to help small businesses grow, create good jobs in our community and middle-class."

