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# CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA LEADERSHIP RACE RESULTS

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Tonight, on Saturday September 10, 2022, Pierre Poilievre was elected the new leader of the Conservative Party of Canada and Leader of the Official Opposition. Poilievre won on the first ballot with 68.15% of the vote. Poilievre's decisive win clearly shows unity within the party. Poilievre won 330 of the 338 ridings in the race, with Jean Charest winning the other 8.

In his victory speech, Poilievre thanked his supporters and the other candidates before pivoting his remarks of unity saying, "we are one party, serving one country". Taking aim at the current Liberal government, Poilievre vowed to tackle inflation, cut taxes on gas and heating, fight climate change using technology instead of taxes, and repeal the federal government's fertilizer mandates. Poilievre said, if elected, his government would be smaller, and that he would fire "government gatekeepers" which he blamed for making everyday life more difficult.

In response to COVID-19 measures implemented by the current government, Poilievre said if elected, his government would axe the ArriveCan app and remaining COVID-19 mandates so Canadians can work and travel. For Quebecers, he promised to protect the French language, something he holds close to his heart, due to his father's Francophone roots. Poilievre said that he would restore the hope of homeownership in big cities by speeding up building permits and reducing the governmental costs required to build houses and apartments and provide Indigenous people more control over their land.

The runner-up in the race, Jean Charest, finished with 16.07% of the vote, with Leslyn Lewis following with 9.69%, Roman Baber finishing with 5.03%, and Scott Aitchison finishing with 1.06%.

Your Edelman team will be providing a full analysis of the race on Monday, September 12, 2022.

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