

## **PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED**

### ***Petition for MP consultation with youth when discussing a Bill directly affecting Canada's Greenhouse Gas emissions***

We, the undersigned residents of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons in Parliament Assembled to the following:

**Whereas:** Children born in 2020 will face on average 2-7 times more extreme weather events than their grandparents. In a 2021 report in *The Lancet*, 83% of children worldwide reported that they think people have failed to take care of the planet. Those most affected by climate change are the youngest generation, as they will live to see the worst effects of the crisis.

**And Whereas :** Youth discussion has proven crucial to successful climate action and policy creation. However, dozens of climate-related decisions are made without input from youth. Statistics around the world show that if youth were making these decisions, the outcome would be different. Children under 18 are not legally allowed to vote, and are therefore without legal voice or accurate representation in Parliament.

**Therefore,** We, the undersigned, Citizens and Residents of Canada call upon the Government of Canada to:

- 1. Require all Members of Parliament, regardless of party lines, to consult with a secondary or elementary school leadership, student council, or environmental youth group of their Riding (i.e. under-18 youth representatives), before Parliament holds the Second Reading of any Bill that directly affects Canada's Greenhouse Gas Emissions.**
- 2. The purpose of the consultation will be to listen to the viewpoints of those directly affected by the specified Bill, but who do not already have representation in Parliament.**

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