PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

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

THAT

- 1 in every 10 Canadians lives in poverty.
- Persistent poverty impacts the dignity of many Canadians, and represents a serious cost to individuals, to our society, and to our economy.
- Comprehensive federal poverty reduction strategies have been used successfully in other countries to combat poverty.

THEREFORE, your petitioners request the House of Commons to include a **federal comprehensive poverty reduction strategy** in the Budget 2009. Such a strategy should include:

- Measurable targets and timelines
- Coordination within and across governments
- Accountability structures
- Poverty indicators to plan and monitor progress

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