

**SAMPLE PETITION\***

**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

Signatures

(Sign your own name. Do not print.)

Addresses

(Give your full home address, or your city and province, or province and postal code.)

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