

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS on *the Canadian Interfaith Call for Leadership and Action on Climate Change*

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

- Global warming is a reality, such that in 2010, Canadians experienced the warmest year on record since 1948;
- Although our governments have committed to decrease our greenhouse gas emissions (which contribute to global warming), Canadian levels have been increasing;
- Climate change affects all Canadians, but disproportionately affects residents of the countries of the Global South who have done the least to cause these changes;
- The growing crisis of climate change is symptomatic of greed, an underlying spiritual deficit which has led to unsustainable patterns of production and consumption;
- We cannot wait for others to act but instead must lead by example;
- Implementation of emissions reduction plans in several Canadian provinces and other countries has shown emissions can be reduced;

We call on Parliament to adopt the following policy goals:

- **In the spirit of global solidarity, take collective action by signing and implementing a binding international agreement replacing the Kyoto Protocol that commits nations to reduce carbon emissions and set fair and clear targets to ensure that global average temperatures stay below a 2° Celsius increase from pre-industrial levels;**
- **Demonstrate national responsibility by committing to national carbon emission targets and a national renewable energy policy designed to achieve sustainability; and**
- **Implement climate justice, by playing a constructive role in the design of the Green Climate Fund under United Nations governance, and by contributing public funds to assist the poorest and most affected countries to adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change.**

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When you have 25 or more signatures, please send the petition to your Member of Parliament and ask him/her to present them to the House of Commons. You can find your MP and address at: www.parl.gc.ca And please let us know the action you have taken by contacting melodi@cpj.ca