

Petition to the Government of Canada

WHEREAS:

- *We need innovative solutions to the growing crisis of affordability in Canada;*
- *A Guaranteed Livable Basic income would provide those of us who are food and housing insecure with the income we need, removing the indignity of welfare;*
- *Research shows that recipients of a basic income experience improved health and reduced stress, resulting in reduced costs to our health, justice, and other social systems, while creating more stable and happier individuals and families;*
- *Research also shows that recipients of a basic income are better able to manage their family, work, and community responsibilities, with some reporting that income security gave them the resources and time they needed to improve their skills and find higher paying, more secure jobs;*
- *A demonstration program is an affordable and practical way to test the impact of a basic income program in real time and will provide the experience and research needed to design and implement a national basic income guarantee benefit; and*
- *The Legislative Assembly in Prince Edward Island voted unanimously in 2020 and 2022 to establish a basic income guarantee in PEI and are now asking to partner with federal government to design, implementation and study a demonstration program in PEI.*

THEREFORE, we, the undersigned citizens and residents of Canada, call upon the Government of Canada to partner with PEI on a demonstration project that will be administered, monitored, and evaluated for at least five years, and to partner with other provincial, territorial and Indigenous governments who would like to implement basic income demonstration programs in their province or territory.

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