A PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
Everyone in Canada should have a safe and affordable place to call home

We, the undersigned citizens of Canada, draw the attention of the Government of Canada to the following:

WHEREAS: Historic cold records have been beaten ten days in a row in Ottawa in November 2018 and other weather records have been set in various places of Canada as well;

WHEREAS: Over 235 000 Canadians continue to experience homelessness every year;

WHEREAS: At the same time, a lack of adequate and affordable housing is unacceptable in a country as wealthy as Canada;

WHEREAS: The mini-budget presented by the finance minister on November 21, 2018, gave nearly five billion dollars next year and fourteen billion dollars overall in Christmas gifts to the corporate sector and not a dime to address the urgent housing crisis; and

WHEREAS: The government should put three billion dollars immediately into building affordable housing and announce an emergency housing plan right across the country to make sure that all Canadians have a roof over their heads as soon as possible.
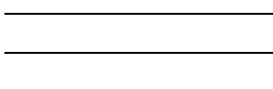
THEREFORE, the undersigned, residents and citizens of Canada, call upon the Government of Canada to:
1) Allocate money now for affordable housing to address the housing crisis, aggravated by the current cold wave, linked to climate change, instead of giving billions of dollars to the corporate sector through tax breaks; and
2) Immediately accelerate funding for affordable housing and announce an emergency housing plan right across the country to ensure that all Canadians have a safe, affordable place to call home, and that no-one is left out in the cold.

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