

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

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

WHEREAS, with Bill C-47 The Liberal Party of Canada has introduced new, strict regulations that will significantly increase the cost of producing and purchasing Natural Health Products in Canada, putting the companies that produce them out of business, and leaving Canadians without access to safe and effective products.

WHEREAS, increased costs resulting from stricter regulations will further prohibit Canadians struggling to afford Natural Health Products. Many Canadians will no longer be free to obtain vitamins and supplements that have been an integral part of maintaining their good health.

WHEREAS, supplements play an essential role as natural health practitioners work to support and manage the health and wellness of Canadians. Natural Health Products and the practitioners who trust them will be lost. Access to skilled natural health practitioners and safe and effective non-pharmaceutical health care is threatened.

WHEREAS, every Canadian has the right to access affordable, safe, high quality nutritional supplements. Every Canadian has the right to bodily autonomy and is free to choose what goes into their body. This legislation further erodes these rights and freedoms and promotes dependence on pharmaceutical products as the only recourse.

THEREFORE, we the undersigned concerned Canadians call upon the Government of Canada to repeal sections 500-504 of Bill C-47, ending the unreasonable restrictions imposed on the natural health care community and ensuring that access to safe supplements and skilled natural health practitioners is protected.

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