To the House of Commons in Parliament Assembled
"Petition in Support of Increased Funding for the CBC"

WHEREAS:

1. The Mandate of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) is to provide "distinctly and predominantly Canadian programming" <*that reflects*> "Canada and its regions to national and regional audiences, while serving the special needs of those regions"; *and whereas*

2. The CBC plays an integral role in Canadian society by providing a platform for Canadian arts and cultures; *and whereas*

3. The CBC is experiencing a revenue shortfall of approximately $170 million and has requested a bridge loan to cover the temporary shortfall; *and whereas*

4. The CBC requires additional funding to adequately maintain regional programming on radio and television; *and whereas*

5. The House of Commons' own Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage issued a report* calling for increased local content and Canadian programming in prime time and a reduction in advertising on CBC television.

We, the undersigned, call upon the House of Commons to:

- Implement the recommendations made by the standing committee on Canadian Heritage; and

- Provide short-term bridge financing to the CBC in order to immediately address the cuts to regional programming and jobs; and

- To increase long-term core funding to the public broadcaster, including CBC Radio and Radio Canada.

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**Study on the Dismantling of the CBC Radio Orchestra, On CBC/Radio Canada's Commitment to Classical Music and the Changes to CBC Radio 2*