Petition to the House of Commons of Canada

WHEREAS:

- 1) Parks Canada plays a major role in conserving the biodiversity threatened by the growth of urbanism, education and the promotion of Canada's natural and historical heritage.
- 2) Cuts of 29 million dollars have forced parks to reduce their hours, cancel activities and lay off more than 600 employees.
- 3) The increase in entrance fees at Parks Canada sites will further restrict visitor access.
- 4) The privatization of numerous services, as well as the implementation of projects by private companies, could hurt Parks Canada's mission of biodiversity conservation, as well as Canadians' approval.

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada, call on the Government of Canada:

To comply with the Canada National Parks Act which stipulates that "The national parks of Canada are hereby dedicated to the people of Canada for their benefit, education and enjoyment" and that "maintenance or restoration of ecological integrity shall be the first priority of the Minister," by restoring the funding necessary to maintain the range of services offered, cancelling the increase in entrance fees and ensuring the operation of services offered on Parks Canada sites.

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