## Petitions

# [English]

Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver-Kingsway): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition signed by Nora Harrison who lives on Prince Edward Street in Vancouver and other residents of the east end of Vancouver who say that in their opinion the indexation of the universal family allowance and the massive cut-backs in the public commitment to child benefits are an unfair attack on women and families with children, especially single parent mothers. They ask that the indexing be reinstated.

## [Translation]

Mr. Fernand Robichaud (Westmorland-Kent): Mr. Speaker, I welcome this opportunity to present two petitions to the House. The first one is from residents in the Shediac area, and the second from residents of Sackville and Tantramar. Mr. Speaker, these petitioners are demanding full indexation of family allowances.

# [English]

Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg-Birds Hill): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by constituents of Winnipeg-Birds Hill who join with other Canadians in protesting the deindexation of the family allowance.

#### [Translation]

**Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry-Prescott-Russell):** Mr. Speaker, I have a number of petitions which I have the honour and the privilege of tabling in the House today, and which concern this Government's appalling decision to reduce indexation of family allowances. One of these petitions is signed by constituents from the electoral district of Trois-Rivières; one is from the electoral district of Kent in Ontario; one is from the electoral district of Regina West in Saskatchewan; one is from the riding of Spadina in Ontario; one is from the riding of Hull-Aylmer in Quebec, a province well represented in this House; one is from the riding of Malpeque in Prince Edward Island; and finally, one from the riding of Grand Falls-White Bay-Labrador in Newfoundland.

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## [English]

Ms. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, I also have the honour to present a petition from a number of workers at the CRS Workers Co-operative in my riding of Vancouver East. They think that the deindexation of family allowance, combined with tax increases and budget hand-outs, place an extraordinary burden on families, especially on women, single parents and poor families.

They call upon the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of family allowance and rescind unfair tax increases.

I also have the honour to present a petition from professional social workers from the School of Social Work at UBC in Vancouver. They also call for a withdrawal of Bill C-70. They humbly pray and call upon the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of universal family allowance and rescind unfair tax increases.

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops-Shuswap): Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to present a petition on behalf of a number of residents from Vancouver, Surrey and Richmond, British Columbia, who also comment on their displeasure with the Government's intention to deindex family allowance payments.

### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—PENSION INCOME DEDUCTIONS

Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and privilege of presenting a petition signed by 4,000 workers, all members of Local 6500, United Steel Workers of America, in the Sudbury Basin. This petition decries the fact that the Government has changed the Unemployment Insurance Act so that pension income will be considered earned income effective January 1, 1986.

The petition calls for Parliament to rescind that particular provision before it comes into effect on January 1, 1986. This petition also joins the 10,000 other petitioners whose petitions have already been presented in this House on this subject.

## [Translation]

# FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND CHILD TAX CREDIT

Mr. Jean-Claude Malépart (Montreal-Sainte-Marie): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of tabling petitions from the people of the riding of Montreal-Sainte-Marie, asking the Right Hon. Prime Minister to reinstate full indexation of family allowances and the child tax credit.

I have another petition, on behalf of the people of the riding of Sherbrooke in the province of Quebec, who are also asking the Right Hon. Prime Minister to reinstate full indexation of family allowances and the child tax credit.

I also have petitions from the people of the ridings of Saskatoon East and Saskatoon West in Saskatchewan, the federal riding of Chateauguay and the riding of Thunder Bay-Nipigon; these people are also asking the Government to withdraw its Bill aimed at de-indexing family allowances.

I also have petitions from people from Newfoundland, from the ridings of St. John's East and St. John's West, Mr. Speaker, and from Toronto, in the riding of St. Paul's, and from the riding of Timiskaming in Ontario, and my last petition is from the riding of my colleague from Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic who is ill at this time.

All these people are asking the Right Hon. Prime Minister and the Government to reinstate full indexation of family allowances.

#### [English]

Mr. Mike Cassidy (Ottawa Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have the pleasure to submit a petition on behalf of my constituents in Ottawa Centre and on behalf of a number of residents of