

Petitions

that is indispensable to families with children, and that therefore the federal Government should change its decision.

I also have a similar petition from the riding of Etobicoke-Lakeshore, in Ontario.

I have one from the electoral riding of Langelier in Quebec, Mr. Speaker.

Still in the same vein, another one from the riding of Bellechasse, also in Quebec.

Mr. Speaker, I also have a petition from the Quebec riding of Montreal-Sainte-Marie.

This one comes from the riding of Rosemont, Mr. Speaker, and the electors of that region are also asking for the same thing in their petition.

Mr. Speaker, I have this petition from the federal electoral riding of Shefford.

And then this one from the electoral riding of Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot whereby the petitioners are asking for the same thing, Mr. Speaker, a reversal of the Government's decision concerning family allowances.

There is one from the federal riding of Rimouski in Quebec.

One from the riding of Westmorland-Kent, which is very ably represented in the House, as you would know, Mr. Speaker.

One from Quebec's federal riding of Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot. I wonder whether there is a Member to represent that riding. There must be one.

One from the electoral riding of Gatineau, Mr. Speaker. Again the petitioners of that riding express a similar wish.

And this one from the federal riding of Rosemont.

A petition from the riding of Hochelaga-Maisonneuve in Quebec.

I also have a petition from the riding of Quebec East.

Mr. Speaker, this one comes from the riding of Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic in Quebec.

On their behalf, all those people from various ridings have asked me to present these petitions concerning family allowances.

[English]

Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West): Mr. Speaker, I too have a number of petitions from the Province of Quebec, namely, the ridings of Drummond, Shefford, Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic, Montréal-Sainte-Marie, Rosemont, Joliette, Rimouski and Richelieu. These petitions and the petitioners who signed them are urging and praying that the Government, and particularly the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney), will maintain the promise made during the last federal election campaign, namely, the sacred trust which would protect the full indexation of family allowances because it is a regressive measure which takes away some \$55 million from the families who can least afford it.

WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN NEWFOUNDLAND COMMUNITIES

Hon. William Rompkey (Grand Falls-White Bay-Labrador): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by many residents of the communities of Grand Falls, Windsor and Bishop's Falls in central Newfoundland. These communities have a very serious health problem with their water supply system. They are calling upon Parliament to encourage the Government of Canada to come up with a solution to this very serious health problem in the water supply system as soon as possible.

FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES

Ms. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition from the part of southern Ontario in which I grew up, around Welland and Dunnville, Ontario. It is from senior citizens who are joining with others across this country to ask that the Government reinstate full indexation of the universal family allowance, as it did with pensions, and rescind unfair tax increases which are hurting families.

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[Translation]

Mr. Mike Cassidy (Ottawa Centre): Mr. Speaker, I wish to present a petition from a group of Quebec City women with whom I met earlier this week. These women decry the injustice of ever diminishing family allowances through deindexation, and they ask for the restoration of full indexation and the repeal of unfair tax increases.

Mr. Speaker, I also have two petitions from my constituents of Ottawa Centre—

[English]

They are asking, since children are everyone's responsibility, that all parents receive Government assistance. They also strongly oppose the budget proposals to reduce the cost of living protection for family allowances and demand that this proposal be withdrawn as soon as possible.

Mr. Cyril Keeper (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from a number of constituents of mine, along with other residents of Winnipeg, who call upon the Government to withdraw the deindexation of family allowances. They point out that this will not only cost the poorest Canadian families, but also middle-income Canadians.

Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert): Mr. Speaker, it is my honour and duty to present a petition signed by a large number of residents of the beautiful City of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. They call upon the Government and the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of universal family allowances and rescind unfair tax increases.

Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and pleasure to present a petition signed by many residents of the City of Toronto who complain that the Government has