

abandon its projected use of voice mail with senior citizens, since they do not feel they get adequate service especially when dealing with income security matters.

[English]

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. John Williams (St. Albert, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36 I want to present a petition organized by Suzanne MacDonell, one of my constituents.

The petitioners request that Parliament not amend the Canadian Human Rights Act or the charter of rights and freedoms in any way that would tend to indicate societal approval of same sex relationships or homosexuality, including amending the Canadian Human Rights Act to include in the prohibited grounds of discrimination the undefined phrase of sexual orientation.

Not only am I pleased to present the petition but I endorse it as well.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Mr. Clifford Lincoln (Lachine—Lac-Saint-Louis, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I should like to present a petition signed by 40 electors from my riding and surrounding regions.

They ask that Parliament ensure the present provisions of the Criminal Code of Canada prohibiting assisted suicide will be enforced vigorously and that Parliament make no changes in the law that would sanction or allow the aiding or abetting of suicide or active or passive euthanasia.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Gordon Kirkby (Prince Albert—Churchill River, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I present a petition signed by approximately 60 people from Saskatchewan.

They request that Parliament not amend the human rights code, the Canadian Human Rights Act or the charter of rights and freedoms in any way that would tend to indicate societal approval of same sex relationships.

GUN CONTROL

Mr. Myron Thompson (Wild Rose, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from in and around the city of Winnipeg.

The petitioners request that Parliament support laws that will severely punish all violent criminals who use weapons in the commission of a crime, support new Criminal Code firearm control provisions that recognize and protect the rights of law-abiding citizens to own and use recreation firearms, and support legislation that will repeal and modify existing gun controls that have not improved public safety.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, I have several petitions to put before the House from constituents in Langley, Aldergrove and Abbotsford, British Columbia.

Routine Proceedings

They first request that Parliament not pass Bill C-41 with section 718.2 as presently written and in any event not include the undefined phrase of sexual orientation as a behaviour people engage in does not warrant special consideration in Canadian law.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, my second petition requests that Parliament reduce government spending instead of increasing taxes and implement a taxpayer protection act to limit federal spending.

GUN CONTROL

Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, my third petition calls upon Parliament not to enact any further firearms control legislation, regulations or orders in council.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, I have another petition to present. It calls upon Parliament to oppose any amendments to the Canadian Human Rights Act or the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms that provide for the inclusion of the phrase of sexual orientation.

All the petitions I do so endorse.

Mr. Ian Murray (Lanark—Carleton, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have two petitions to present to the House today pursuant to Standing Order 36.

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The petitioners are asking that Parliament not amend the human rights code, the Canadian Human Rights Act or the charter of rights and freedoms in any way that would tend to indicate societal approval of same sex relationships or of homosexuality.

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

Mr. Glen McKinnon (Brandon—Souris, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I rise to present three petitions.

The first one was signed by 26 people from Killarney, Manitoba. The attention of the House is drawn to the fact that 38 per cent of the national highway system has fallen below accepted standards and that the benefits of the proposed national highway program are numerous.

The petitioners call upon Parliament to request that the government support all measures to make the national highway system upgrading possible.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr. Glen McKinnon (Brandon—Souris, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the second petition was signed by 31 people from the Brandon—Souris area.

It calls upon Parliament to amend the Canadian Human Rights act to protect individuals from discrimination based on sexual orientation.