

*Petitions*

[English]

I also have another petition from the riding of Stormont-Dundas in Ontario, asking the House to restore full indexation to the family allowance and child tax credit, and saying that it will take away \$55 million from families by 1987.

[Translation]

Mr. Speaker, I have also a petition from the federal riding of Bonaventure-Îles-de-la-Madeleine, in the province of Quebec, calling on the Government to reinstate full indexation of family allowances and Child Tax Credit, because these cuts will deprive Canadians of \$55 million by 1987.

**Mr. Alain Tardif (Richmond-Wolfe):** Mr. Speaker, I am pleased also to table a petition from my riding of Richmond-Wolfe in which the petitioners, notably the members of the Cercle des fermières from the municipality and community of Ham-Nord, deplore again the Government's cruel decision to deindex family allowances.

I have here other petitions in which the petitioners strongly object to such discriminatory action against Canadian families. These petitions are from residents of the federal ridings of Victoria, Brampton-Georgetown, Northumberland, in the province of Ontario, as well as Hochelaga-Maisonneuve, Saint-Hyacinthe, and Saint-Jacques, in the province of Quebec. Each of these petitions has been signed by several dozens of constituents who all deplore the de-indexation of family allowances.

[English]

**Mr. Cyril Keeper (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition which was circulated by the Women Against the Federal Budget. They strongly oppose the deindexation of family allowances and call upon the Government to withdraw this proposal as soon as possible.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—PENSION INCOME DEDUCTIONS

**Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition on behalf of the residents of the towns of Bancroft, Lindsay, Fenelon Falls, Orillia and Woodville, all members of the Lindsay District Labour Council. They call upon the Government to withdraw the proposal which would see pension income being used as earned income for purposes of the Unemployment Insurance Act.

[Translation]

FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES AND CHILD TAX CREDIT

**Mr. Jean-Claude Malépart (Montreal-Sainte-Marie):** Mr. Speaker, I have here several petitions, but I am sure you would not like me to table all of them today, so that all my friends may hear about them.

Mr. Speaker, my first petitions are from my own constituency. To spare you, I am going to table most of those which

strongly object to the Government's decision to cut the increase in family allowances and which ask the Prime Minister not to reduce his deficit on the backs of Canadian children.

Mr. Speaker, I have another series of petitions from people who are not my constituents but who insist that they be heard and recorded as being against the Conservative Government's proposed family allowances deindexation. These are residents of Regina West and of the riding of La Prairie who have asked me to convey their objections.

I have another petition from residents of the ridings of Joliette and Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot who are also against the Government's decision.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, a petition from the riding of Montmency-Orléans, and another one from the riding of Calgary East in Alberta.

Tomorrow I will be pleased to present petitions from Gatineau.

• (1530)

**Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Saint-Denis):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour today to present a petition from the riding of Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic. Hon. Members know that our colleague from Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic (Mrs. Killens) was involved in an unfortunate accident. On behalf of all Members, I am sure, we wish her a speedy recovery. I make it my duty to present a petition from her riding.

It is my duty as well to present a petition from my riding of Montreal-Saint-Denis.

I also have the honour to present a petition from the ridings of Longueuil and Rosemont. The petitioners urge the Right Hon. the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) to restore full indexation of family allowances and the child tax credit, wondering as they do why the Government can spare \$56 million for new uniforms while being unable to come up with \$55 million to maintain full indexation.

I must also present a petition—and I do so with pleasure—from residents of the federal riding of Terrebonne who want to exercise their ancient and unchallenged rights to present a similar grievance.

Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition on behalf of a great many residents of Montreal's Hochelaga-Maisonneuve riding who now want to exercise the same right and who also urge the Prime Minister to restore full indexation of family allowances and the child tax credit.

[English]

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The Hon. Member knows our practices. He is a senior Member of the House. I now invite him to finish using the proper procedure.