AUTOMATION OF LIGHTHOUSE

Mr. Joe Comuzzi (Thunder Bay—Nipigon): Mr. Speaker, it is an honour for me to rise today pursuant to Standing Order 36 to present a petition signed by 250 residents from Thunder Bay, Nipigon, Red Rock, Beardmore, Dorion and Pass Lake.

They are concerned that this Government is planning to automate the lighthouse at Lamb Island on Lake Superior. The lighthouse keeper serves many vital functions and should not be removed.

An automated system cannot respond to distress calls from the many commercial fishermen who use these waters. It cannot prevent incidents of costly violence and theft, nor can it respond quickly to a malfunctioning of the light which is so important to the safety of these fishermen.

The petitioners thus call upon Parliament to order the Minister of Transport (Mr. Bouchard) to ensure that the lighthouse keeper be maintained in his position on Lamb Island.

[Translation]

REQUEST FOR LIBERALIZATION OF LAWS CONCERNING EXTRADITION OF CRIMINALS

Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis): Mr. Speaker, I also want to present a petition prepared and signed by 1,414 Canadians concerning the possible extradition of criminals now in Canadian prisons. We know that these criminals might have, or have allegedly, committed crimes in other countries as well and they should be prosecuted by the authorities of those countries; however, because of some of our laws, these criminals are beyond the reach of other countries.

Routine Proceedings

The purpose of the petition is to encourage a change in our legislation to make these criminals who are now here in our jails extraditable by foreign countries, so that justice can also be done in those countries.

[English]

REQUEST FOR REVISION OF MEDICAL STANDARDS FOR IMMIGRANTS

Ms. Barbara Greene (Don Valley North): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour today to present a certified petition organized by residents of my riding and signed by a number of residents from Metropolitan Toronto and other parts of Ontario.

The petition requests the Ministers of Employment and Immigration (Mrs. McDougall), and National Health and Welfare (Mr. Beatty) to revise the medical standards for admission to Canada with a view to compliance with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the enhancement of the human rights and dignity of the disabled.

I strongly urge the Ministers and other Members of the House to support this request. People should not be discriminated against because of a disability, particularly Downs Syndrome.

[Translation]

OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Hon. Jean J. Charest (Minister of State (Youth) and Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport) and Deputy Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 36, 48, 54, 57 and 74.

LEASED OFFICE SPACE

Question No. 36-Mr. Boudria:

At the present time, does the government, its agencies or Crown Corporations lease office space from Robert Campeau or Campeau Corporation and, if so (a) what is the total number of square metres (b) what is the total amount paid per month (c) did or does any of these leases expire during fiscal year (i) 1988–89 (ii) 1989–90 (iii) 1990–91 and, if so, what is the total amount of square metres affected?

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader): I am informed by the Department of Public Works, the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Canada Post Corporation as follows:

At the present time, the Department of Public Works, through its Accommodation Program, leases from