

*Petitions*

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week will be Bill C-31, an Act to amend the Indian Act, followed by Bill C-51, an Act to provide borrowing authority. I hope that the House will be able to conclude consideration of both these Bills by the end of Wednesday.

Finally, I would like to announce that I am designating Thursday of next week as the final allotted day in the current supply period.

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### PETITIONS

#### IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS ON FAMILY REUNIFICATION

**Mr. Andrew Witer (Parkdale-High Park):** Mr. Speaker, I rise to present a petition on behalf of the Community Coalition on Immigration, an organization representing the Chinese, Filipino, Portuguese, Latin American, Caribbean and South Asian communities in the city of Toronto. The petition requests that amendments be made to the immigration regulations as they relate to family reunification. The petitioners beseech the federal Government to expand the current definition of the family reunification classification to include sons and daughters, brothers and sisters over the age of 21, regardless of their marital status.

#### CHANGES TO OLD AGE SECURITY ACT

**Mr. Howard McCurdy (Windsor-Walkerville):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present once again a petition from hundreds of elderly people protesting their being used as fodder in the war on unemployment and for the benefit of the rich in this country.

**Mr. Derek Blackburn (Brant):** Mr. Speaker, I have the privilege to rise in my place to present a petition on behalf of a group of citizens from British Columbia. The undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of the Old Age Security program in Canada.

**Mr. Rod Murphy (Churchill):** Mr. Speaker, for the third time this week I have the honour to present a petition signed by Canadians from all parts of Canada indicating that they are very upset with the fact that the Government broke its election promise to index old age pensions to the actual cost of living on a quarterly basis. They ask that this House make sure that the Conservatives keep that election promise.

**Mr. Jim Manly (Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands):** Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to present a petition on behalf of more than 150 people, mostly from the Province of British Columbia, protesting the cutting of the indexation provisions of Old Age Security. They demand that full indexing be restored, as was promised by the Conservatives prior to the last election.

**Mr. Ernie Epp (Thunder Bay-Nipigon):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present petitions from citizens primarily from Vancouver and environs who protest the fact that the May 23 Budget imposes undue and unfair hardship on pensioners by deindexing Old Age Security pensions. The losers will be the poor, the unemployed and women. The petitioners humbly pray that the House of Commons reinstate full indexation.

**Mr. Steven W. Langdon (Essex-Windsor):** I, too, have a petition from a number of Canadians who call upon the Government to change its policy regarding deindexation. They make very clear their opposition to these serious policy changes in the Budget.

**Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert):** Mr. Speaker, it is my honour to present to the House a series of petitions, mostly from the Cities of Coquitlam, Vancouver and Burnaby, in which the petitioners request that the Government reinstate full indexation of the Old Age Security program in Canada.

#### IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS ON FAMILY REUNIFICATION

**Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition from some 1,724 Canadians, mostly from Toronto, requesting that the Immigration Act and regulations be changed so as to allow sons, daughters, brothers and sisters, regardless of their marital status, over the age of 21 years, to immigrate under the family reunion program.

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**Mr. Vic Althouse (Humboldt-Lake Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I have petitions from a number of people in Canada who are protesting the deindexation of pensions. They point out that the erosion of their pension rights will occur at a rate of \$100 for 1986 up to \$680 by 1991, and they request that full indexation be put into effect.

**Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and privilege of presenting a petition from many residents of Vancouver who protest the cruel and insensitive action of deindexing old age pensions. They call upon the Parliament of Canada to restore full indexation for old age pensions.

[Translation]

#### DOOR-TO-DOOR MAIL DELIVERY

**Mr. Ricardo Lopez (Châteauguay):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to the House a petition signed by 1,700-odd households of the City of Mercier, in my beautiful riding of Châteauguay, asking the House to make representations to Canada Post for door-to-door mail delivery in that community. Those citizens maintain that as taxpayers they are entitled to the same services as those provided for all other Canadians.