PETITION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

FULFILL THE TRC CALLS FOR JUDICIAL REFORM

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons to the following:

THAT, WHEREAS for six years the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) listened to thousands of former students of residential schools and their families testify to the devastating legacy of this national policy of assimilation and published 94 Calls to Action for Canada to embrace reconciliation and overcome systemic racism;

WHEREAS in February 2013 the Hon. Frank Iacobucci issued his report, *First Nations Representation on Ontario's Juries*, describing and criticizing the underrepresentation of First Nations peoples on juries specifically and in Ontario's judicial administration system generally – a situation not unique to Ontario; and

WHEREAS on February 7, 2018 the Parliament of Canada approved overwhelmingly the second reading of Bill C-262 to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*,

THEREFORE, YOUR PETITIONERS call on the House of Commons to immediately undertake to encourage the provinces to reform their jury selection systems and other judicial reforms and to enact its own reforms as described in the TRC Calls to Action 25-42 to ensure that justice is done and is seen to be done across the country with respect to all people, including Indigenous people.

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