

# Petition to the Minister of Health

## Ban the Sale and Use of Rodenticides

### Whereas:

- Anticoagulant rodenticides are now widely detected in Canadian wildlife, including owls, hawks, foxes, coyotes, and other predators;
- Neurotoxic rodenticides, including bromethalin, pose severe risks to pets and wildlife and have no antidote;
- These poisons cause internal bleeding, neurological damage, prolonged suffering, and widespread secondary poisoning when predators consume contaminated rodents;
- Anticoagulant and neurotoxic rodenticides are also leading causes of accidental pet poisonings in Canada;
- Numerous Canadian municipalities have already restricted or discontinued their use due to unacceptable ecological and animal-welfare impacts; and
- Safer and effective alternatives exist, including exclusion, sanitation, snap traps, dry-ice burrow control, and integrated pest management (IPM).

We, the undersigned, **citizens and residents of Canada**, call upon the **Minister of Health** to:

- Direct the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) to ban the sale and use of anticoagulant and neurotoxic rodenticides for residential, commercial, and government use in Canada;
- Require the PMRA to implement mandatory reporting of wildlife and domestic-animal poisonings linked to rodenticides;
- Require that the PMRA mandate non-toxic, prevention-first rodent control methods (IPM) before any rodenticide is considered; and
- Launch an immediate Special Review through the PMRA under Section 17 of the Pest Control Products Act to assess the ecological and public-health risks posed by anticoagulant and neurotoxic rodenticides.

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