PETITION to Stop the Removal of CN Rail lines

TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

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

Whereas Canadian National Railway (CN) has given notice of its plans to discontinue and remove rail lines throughout Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec;

And Whereas these rail lines were built using mostly public funds in the late 19th and early 20th century;

And Whereas CN has recognized on its website that the "...discontinued rail lines may still have a purpose to the general public...", and that it is "...suitable to use the former rail lines as public transportation corridors";

And Whereas Section 145 (1) of the Canada Transportation Act, 1996, states that "The railway company shall offer to transfer all of its interest in the railway line to the governments and urban transit authorities mentioned in this section for not more than its net salvage value to be used for any purpose...";

Therefore, your petitioners call upon the Government of Canada to impose a 10 year moratorium on the removal of the Canadian National Railway rail lines between North Bay and Montreal.

Print Name	Address	Town	Province	Postal	Signature

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