

**PETITION
TO
THE HONOURABLE JAMES MICHAEL FLAHERTY,
MINISTER OF FINANCE**

WHEREAS the people of Canada's North face the highest costs of living of all Canadians; and

WHEREAS the Northern Residents Tax Deduction was instituted to help off set these high costs of living and

WHEREAS the residence portion of the Northern Residents Tax Deduction has not increased since its inception 20 years ago, while costs of living for Northern Canadians has continued to increase,

WHEREAS the cost in lost tax revenue to the Government of Canada would be insignificant while the economic benefits to the North would be substantial,

We, the undersigned residents of Canada call upon the Minister of Finance, the Honourable James Michael Flaherty to:

increase to the residence portion of the Northern Residents Tax Deduction by 50 per cent and that this portion of the tax deduction be indexed in order to keep pace with inflation based upon a Northern inflation measurement.

Signatures <i>(Sign your own name. Do not print.)</i>	Addresses <i>(Give your full home address, or your city and province/territory , or province/territory and postal code.)</i>

