PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

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

THAT horses are ordinarily kept and treated as sport and companion animals;
THAT horses are not raised primarily as food-producing animals;
THAT horses are commonly administered drugs that are strictly prohibited from being used at any time in all other food-producing animals destined for the human food supply; and
WHEREAS Canadian horsemeat products that are currently being sold for human consumption in domestic and international markets are likely to contain prohibited substances;

THEREFORE, YOUR PETITIONERS call upon the House of Commons in Parliament assembled to bring forward and adopt legislation based on Bill C-544, tabled by MP Alex Atamanenko in the 40th Parliament, an Act to amend the Health of Animals Act and the Meat Inspection Act, thus prohibiting the importation or exportation of horses for slaughter for human consumption, as well as horsemeat products for human consumption.

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