

Help Persecuted Minorities in Afghanistan

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

Whereas at one time, Sikhs and Hindus in Afghanistan numbered in the hundreds of thousands, but today less than five thousand remain; and,

Whereas recent bombings, such as those in July 2018 and March 2020, have killed leaders from both communities in Afghanistan, and demonstrates their ongoing vulnerabilities; and,

Whereas the Minister of Immigration is already empowered by legislation to allow vulnerable minorities to come to Canada as privately sponsored refugees, directly from the country where they face persecution; and,

Whereas the Sikh and Hindu communities are ready to sponsor Afghan minority refugees;

Therefore we, the undersigned, urge the Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship to use the powers granted to him to create a special program to help persecuted minorities in Afghanistan.

And further, we urge the Minister of Foreign Affairs to raise the persecution faced by this community with his Afghan counterpart and to strongly advocate for more to be done to protect them.

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Return to the office of Tamara Jansen, M.P. Postage not required: 172 Confederation Building, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6.

A paper petition must contain a minimum of 25 valid signatures. Noting may be written outside of the spaces provided.

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