PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMANT ASSEMBLED

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

THAT there is scientific consensus and public acknowledgment that animals can feel pain and can suffer, and thus all efforts should be made to prevent animal cruelty and reduce animal suffering;

THAT recent amendments to the Canadian Criminal Code provisions on cruelty to animals under Bill S-203 only increased the penalties for offenses;

THAT the range of indictable offenses has barely changed since the original 1892 Criminal Code;

THAT the fact that so few offenses are ever prosecuted means that S-203 has done little to improve the situation of animals in Canada;

*THEREFORE, your petitioners call upon the House of Commons to **adopt effective animal welfare legislation** that will actually improve the condition of animals in Canada and promote animal welfare.*

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