



RESPONSE TO PETITION

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PETITION NO.: **421-02625**

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PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: **JENNIFER O'CONNELL**

Response by the Minister of Finance

SIGNATURE
Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

SUBJECT

Tax system

ORIGINAL TEXT

REPLY

The Government recognizes the contributions of all volunteers and the important roles they play in their communities. In light of this, reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by volunteers in the course of their duties may generally be reimbursed on a non-taxable basis.

Since taking office in 2015, the Government of Canada has put in place a plan to grow the economy in a way that works for the middle class and those working hard to join it. One of its first actions was to raise taxes on the wealthiest Canadians in order to cut taxes for the middle class. Over nine million Canadians are benefitting from this middle-class tax cut.

While the actions taken so far represent real progress, additional efforts that will be taken by the Government will continue to be guided by the objective of a fair tax system that benefits the middle class and those working hard to join it.