Food Waste Awareness

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA

WHEREAS:

1. Canadians waste the equivalent of approximately $27 billion a year on food that goes to landfills and composting;
2. In Canada, 6 million tonnes of food is wasted each year, which works out to 127 kg per inhabitant;
3. Most food waste occurs toward the end of the food supply chain, with processors, retailers and consumers;
4. Every month more than 800,000 people use food banks, and 38% of these are youth and children.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED CITIZENS OF CANADA, CALL UPON THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

1. To declare October 20 of each year National Food Waste Awareness Day;
2. To determine solutions to food waste through a national awareness campaign;
3. To make it easier for businesses to donate unsold food products that are safe for consumption to community organizations and food banks;
4. To reduce the environmental impact of producing food that is not consumed by encouraging more sustainable food production methods.

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