PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

Whereas:

SIGNATURES (Canadian citizens or residents

- It is well established that the risk of violence against women increases when they are pregnant;
- Currently, the injury or death of preborn children as victims of crime are not considered aggravating circumstances for sentencing purposes in the Criminal Code of Canada;
- Canada has no abortion law. This legal void is so extreme that we don't even recognize preborn children as victims of violent crimes;
- Justice requires that an attacker who abuses a pregnant woman and her preborn child be sentenced accordingly. The sentence should match the crime.

We, the undersigned citizens of Canada, call upon the House of Commons to legislate the abuse of a pregnant woman and/or the infliction of harm on a preborn child as aggravating circumstances for sentencing purposes in the *Criminal Code*.

only) (Please sign your name, do not print) **ADDRESSES PHONE NUMBER EMAIL ADDRESS**