THE RIGHT TO SAVE SEEDS

PETITION
TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

We, the undersigned citizens of Canada, recognize the inherent rights of farmers—derived from thousands of years of custom and tradition—to save, reuse, select, exchange, and sell seeds. Current and newly-proposed restrictions on farmers' traditional practices—resulting from commercial contracts, identity preservation (IP) systems, and/or legislation—criminalize these ancient practices and harm farmers, citizens, and society in general.

Therefore, your petitioners call upon Parliament to refrain from making any changes to the *Seeds Act* or to the *Plant Breeders' Rights Act* through Bill C-18, *An Act to amend certain Acts relating to agriculture and agri-food,* that would further restrict farmers' rights or add to farmers' costs. Further, we call upon Parliament to enshrine, in legislation, the inalienable rights of farmers and other Canadians to save, reuse, select, exchange, and sell seeds.

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