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To Whom it May concern:

My wife and I, along with our neighbours, consider this matter an unfair and intolerable situation. No Canadian citizen should be burdened with such an unconstitutional dilemma.

The Federal Government of Canada along with the Province of Ontario have a moral and legal responsibility in this land claim. For a citizen to own a piece of property that has been certified under the Registry Act and not have government verification as to it's authenticity is precedent-setting.

The Federal Government along with the Ontario Government should follow the example of the Province of British Columbia. In a recent ruling by B.C. Supreme Court Justice, Ian Meiklem, regarding aboriginal rights on land held in "fee simple" states, "Even though this proposed new claim ... has never succeeded" in similar actions, "it cannot be said to be without any possibility of success. What can be said, however, is that the possibility of success is extremely remote."

In a letter written by a Mr.Riis-Christensen to the British Columbian Attorney-General Uijal Dosanjh, he stated "Should the authority of the Land Title Act be successfully challenged by the band..property owners throughout the province could find themselves open to suit from First Nation." The result of this happening, the Attorney-General has decided that the Provincial Government will intervene in a protracted land dispute between an Indian Band and a private land owner.

In order to protect individual rights to land ownership all Provincial Governments along with the Federal Government must make the effort to preserve ownership of land in Canada a sacred trust. Your efforts will be studied with great interest among all Canadians.

Thank you for your interest in this matter, as it is most difficult to have to carry on living under this encumbered conundrum.

Yours truly,

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