Petition to the House of Commons –"Sisters In Spirit"

For the past five years, the Native Women's Association of Canada's (NWAC) Sisters In Spirit initiative has worked to identify root causes, trends and circumstances of violence that have led to disappearance and death of Aboriginal women and girls. In March 2010, NWAC released the report "What Their Stories Tell Us" which provided evidence that 582 Aboriginal women and girls have gone missing or been murdered in Canada.

The fact that so many mothers, daughters, sisters, aunties and grandmothers have been lost to violence in this country makes this the most pervasive human rights crisis facing Canada today.

We, the undersigned, call upon the Parliament of Canada to: renew funding for the Sisters In Spirit initiative Phase II "Evidence to Action" and to invest in a National Action Plan, which NWAC has developed, to stop the devastating number of missing and murdered Aboriginal women and girls in Canada.

For those looking to be part of the solution, NWAC asks that you read the most recent report "What Their Stories Tell Us." They also suggest that you attend or host a Sisters In Spirit vigil on October 4, 2010 to honour the lives of all the missing and murdered Aboriginal women. For more information please visit: www.nwac.ca

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Please return by: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 to
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