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Honourable Leona Aglukkaq
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Dear Minister,

The International Organization of Nutritional Consultants (IONC) and members, comprised of registered nutritional & orthomolecular practitioners, who are also nurses, naturopathic doctors, chiropractors, dentists, homeopaths, veterinarians, acupuncturists, herbalists, iridologists and massage therapists, has grave concerns with Bill C-6's abolishment of the rule of law and trespass and our subsequent loss of liberties and health freedoms in the name of public safety.

The real danger and biggest threat to Canadian's health safety is allowing the state to move away from the rule of law. If the rule of law states everyone is subject to the law and no one, no matter how important or powerful, is above the law, including Government, parliament, legislature, bureaucrats or armed forces, then legislature such as Bill C-6 that would allow state agents to come into our homes and practices without evidence of criminal mind and seize property, possessions and bank accounts is illegal and unconstitutional.

Consumer and natural health products do not pose the same risks as chemical pharmaceuticals and thus should have their own regulatory processes. Never has there been a single documented death attributed to natural health products in all of Canadian history, while the same cannot be said of pharmaceuticals.

To assume our consumer and health products are dangerous like drugs and require licensing by Health Canada to certify their safety and efficacy, creates a monopoly for pharmaceutical and big business. Small and medium manufacturers that have been pioneers in the natural health field are being put at a distinct financial disadvantage in the licensing of their products, as it is too costly to for them to comply and it effectively puts them out of business.

The net result of Bill C-6 would be the disappearance of 80% of our current natural health products on the market, many of which, our families and clients depend upon for the treatment and prevention of serious health conditions. More Canadians will die and suffer as a consequence of the removal of these vast numbers of consumer and health products than will ever be rightly protected.

As health practitioners, we will not stand by and allow Health Canada to dictate to our families and clients the kind of allopathic treatment and chemical pharmaceutical drugs that their bodies will be subjected to in order to deal with their health crisis.

We want sovereignty over our own bodies and the right and option to decide how we will treat our health issues whether it is with the mainstream medical system or with the natural health community, or a combination of both.

We respectfully seek the Health Minister withdraw Bill C-6 and recommend more appropriate legislature initiatives that truly protects citizens health safety and rights, such as the Charter of Health Freedom, drafted by constitutional lawyer, Shawn Buckley LLB available at www.nhppa.org.

We also request the opportunity to make submissions and provide input into any and all future committees, as well as participate in all public hearings with respect to Bill C-6.

Sincerely,

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