

CANADA'S LEADERS SPEAK OUT FOR KYOTO

“Humanity is conducting an unintended, uncontrolled globally pervasive experiment whose ultimate consequences could be second only to global nuclear war.” From the consensus statement to the 1988 "The Changing Atmosphere: Implications for Global Security." Toronto.

Canada has promised to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 6% below 1990 levels by the year 2012, under the terms of the Kyoto Protocol. But we are late.

For the last ten years the federal government has consulted the provinces, industry and environmentalists on how to reduce greenhouse emissions. After the Kyoto conference in 1997 it created a special consultation process to develop an implementation plan - with Alberta as co-chair. But in May this year Alberta quit the process and called for further 'study.'

"Now the undersigned citizens, Canada's leaders in the scientific, business, labour, artistic, athletic, First Nations, academic, faith and other communities are speaking out because they are convinced the human cost of further inaction outweighs any other consideration."

“We must prevent the catastrophic impacts of a destabilized global climate. The reality is that meeting Kyoto's targets will improve air quality, ensure the liveability of our cities, ensure the livelihood of workers, improve Canada's reputation in the world and begin to place Canada's economic future on a sustainable footing.

We hereby call on Parliament to ratify Kyoto and ensure just transition for our workers. We commend the Prime Minister for his leadership on this issue and we urge the government to move forward with actions that will help attain the goals of Kyoto.

Kyoto is the first step on the path to preserving our biosphere. Let us take that first step now.

1. **Doris Anderson**, Journalist, Women's Rights Activist, Alberta
2. **Margaret Atwood**, Author, Ontario
3. **Frank Augustyn O.C.**, Professional Dancer, Artistic Director, Ontario
4. **Isabelle Turcotte Baird**, Olympian Sydney 2000 Triathlon, Clean Air Champions
5. **The Barenaked Ladies**, Steven Page, Ed Robertson, Jim Creeggan, Kevin Hearn, Tyler Stewart
6. **Maude Barlow**, National Volunteer Chair Council of Canadians, Ontario
7. **Birgit Bateman**, Artist, British Columbia
8. **Robert Bateman**, Artist, British Columbia
9. **Dr. David V. Bates**, Professor Emeritus of Medicine, British Columbia
10. **Ruth Marion Bell, C.M. M.A. LL.D**, Educator, Activist, Ontario
11. **Susan Benson**, Theatre Designer, Former Resident Designer for the Stratford Theatre Company, Ontario
12. **Pierre Berton**, Author

13. **Richard Bingham**, President of Kiosk Language Schools
14. **Jasper Blake**, Triathlete, Member of 2002 Commonwealth Games Team, 2nd 2002 Ironman Canada, Clean Air Champions
15. **Bob Bossin**, Folksinger, British Columbia
16. **Jennyfer Brickenden**, Librettist of the "Celtic Mass for the Sea", Nova Scotia
17. **Dr. David B. Brooks**, Former Director Canada's office of Energy Conservation, Director of Research, Friends of the Earth, Ontario
18. **Dr. Ian Burton**, Royal Society of Canada, Prof. Emeritus, University of Toronto, Ontario
19. **James R. Butler Ph.D.**, Professor Conservation Biology, University of Alberta, Social Scientist, Author, Poet, Environmentalist, Alberta
20. **Professor John C. Polanyi**, Nobel Prize Winner in Chemistry, Ontario
21. **June Callwood O.C.**, Author, Social Activist, Ontario
22. **Douglas Cardinal**, Architect, Alberta
23. **Lewis Cardinal**, Director, Office of Native Student Services, Alberta
24. **Bruce Cockburn, O.C.**, Musician, Quebec
25. **Lindsay Cole**, Youth Activist
26. **Michael Furdyk and Jennifer Corriero**, Founders of TakingITGlobal and Earth Youth.net, Ontario
27. **Judy Darcy**, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees
28. **Michael de Pencier**, Chair World Wildlife Fund Canada, Publisher, Ontario
29. **Gillian Deacon**, Broadcaster @discovery.ca, Ontario
30. **Pierre Dansereau O.C.**, Educator, Ecologists, Quebec
31. **Marion Dewar**, Former-Mayor of Ottawa, Ontario
32. **Silver Donald Cameron**, Author, Nova Scotia
33. **Sharon Donnelly**, Triathlon, 2000 Olympian, Pan Am Gold Medal, 3xCanadian Champion, Clean Air Champions
34. **Frank Dottori**, President & CEO, Tembec Forest Products
35. **Sister Gloria Drouillard**, Provincial Superior Sisters of the Holy Names, Ontario
36. **Atom Egoyan**, Filmmaker, Ontario
37. **Don Franks**, Actor, Ontario
38. **Matt Frewer**, Actor, Quebec
39. **Dr. Monique Frize**, Professor of Engineering, Ontario
40. **Dr. J.P. (Jim) Bruce, O.C. , FRSC**
41. **Most Rev. Jean Gagnon**, Chairman, Social Affairs Commission of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Quebec
42. **Richard Gendron**, Anthropologist and Vice-President of UQCN "Union Quebecois pour la Conservation de la Nature", Quebec
43. **Kenneth V. Georgetti**, President, Canadian Labour Congress
44. **Graeme Gibson**, Author, Ontario
45. **Barbara Gowdy**, Author, Ontario
46. **Gabriel Gregoire**, former Montreal Alouettes Football Player, Quebec
47. **Martin R. Haase**, Executive Secretary, Friends of Nature, Nova Scotia
48. **Agnes Hall O.C.**, Community Activist and Educator, British Columbia
49. **Dr. G. David Hallman**, Program Officer for Energy and Environment, United Church of Canada, National
50. **The Rev. Dr. Karen A. Hamilton**, Canadian Council of Churches, Ontario
51. **Mike Harcourt**, former Premier of British Columbia, and Mayor of Vancouver, Sustainable Cities, Vancouver
52. **Buzz Hargrove**, President, Canadian Auto Workers, Ontario
53. **Stephen Hazell**, Executive Director, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Ontario

54. **Paul Hellyer**, Canadian Action Party, Politician, Statesman, Ontario
55. **Dr. Thomas Homer-Dixon**, Director, Centre for the Study of Peace and Conflict
University of Toronto, Ontario
56. **Clara Hughes**, Summer and Winter Olympic Medalist, Quebec
57. **Monte Hummel, O.C.**, President, World Wildlife Fund Canada
58. **Bob Hunter**, Co-Founder Greenpeace, Author, Activist, Ontario
59. **Vicky Husband, O.C.**, Conservationist, Artist, British Columbia
60. **Ronald Irving**, Adjunct Professor, University of P.E.I, founding Artistic Director
Theatre Prince Edward Island, PEI
61. **Norman Jewison**, Film Director, Ontario
62. **Cathy Jones**, Actor, Writer, Gemini Award winner, Newfoundland
63. **Norma Kassi**, International Goldman Environmental Award Recipient, Gwich'in
spokesperson on preservation of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and the Gwich'in
way of life
64. **Des Kennedy**, Journalist, Author, British Columbia
65. **Lawrence Keyte**, Modern Pentathlon Canadian Olympic Team Member (1988 Seoul),
Two-Time National Champion, Clean Air Champions
66. **Annie Kidder**, Community and Education Activist, Ontario
67. **Craig Kielburger**, Founder, Free the Children, Nobel Prize Nominee
68. **Molly Killingbeck**, Athletics, 84 Olympic Silver Medallist, Clean Air Champions
69. **Naomi Klein**, Author, Columnist
70. **Rosemary Kuptana, O.C.**, Activist Inuit Community, Sachs Harbour
71. **Marie Lambert, M.C.**, Arts Administrator, Quebec
72. **Mary Jane Lamond**, Gaelic singer, Nova Scotia
73. **The Rev. Jean-Marc LaPorte**, Provincial of the Jesuits of Upper Canada,
74. **Jack Layton**, President of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund, Ontario
75. **William Leiss**, Professor, Queen's University and Research Chair, Haskayne School of
Business, University of Calgary, Alberta
76. **Stephen Lewis**, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa
77. **Aaron Lowe**, seven time National Ice Dance medallists World Team Member, Clean
Air Champions
78. **The Hon. Flora MacDonald**, former M.P and Cabinet Minister, Social, Political and
Human Rights Activist, World Federalists of Canada, Ontario
79. **The Honourable David MacDonald**, former M.P., Member of Cabinet, Prince Edward
Island and Ontario
80. **Scott Macmillan**, Musician, Conductor, Composer, Arranger, Producer, Nova Scotia
81. **Jim MacNeill, O.C.**, Secretary General to the World Commission on Environment and
Development, Saskatchewan and Ontario
82. **Greg Malone**, Actor, Political Activist, Honourary Doctorate Memorial University of
Newfoundland, Newfoundland
83. **Kirsten Manley-Casimir**, National Beach Volleyball Team, 2-time National Beach
Volleyball Champion 2000 & 2001, Clean Air Champions
84. **Elizabeth May**, Executive Director, Sierra Club of Canada, Nova Scotia and Ontario
85. **Gordon McCall**, Artistic Director, Centaur Theatre, Quebec
86. **Kelly McCaig**, Windsurfing, Canadian Champion, Clean Air Champion
87. **Colleen McCrory**, Environmentalist, Valhalla Wilderness Society, Goldman
Environmental Prize, British Columbia
88. **Michael M'Gonigle**, Professor University of Victoria, Author, co-founder of
Greenpeace International
89. **Linda McQuaig**, Author, Columnist, Ontario
90. **The Rev. Dr. Mark Morrison-Reed**, President of the Canadian Unitarian Council

91. **Rabbi John Moscovitz**, Senior Rabbi, Holy Blossom Temple, Ontario
92. **Farley Mowat, O.C.**, Author, Nova Scotia and Ontario
93. **Claire Mowat**, Author, Nova Scotia and Ontario
94. **John Neville**, Actor, Theatre Director, Ontario
95. **Michael Ondaatje**, Author, Ontario
96. **Nancy Palardy**, KAIROS-Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives, Ontario
97. **The Right Rev. Dr. Marion Pardy**, Moderator, United Church of Canada
98. **Brian Payne**, President, Communications Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada
99. **Archbishop The Rt. Rev. Michael G. Peers**, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, National Office
100. **Eric Peterson**, Actor, Playwright, Ontario
101. **Daniel Petrie**, Director and Filmmaker, Nova Scotia and California
102. **The Rev. David Pfrimmer**, Director, Lutheran Office for Public Policy, Ontario
103. **Bill Phipps**, former United Church Moderator, Ontario
104. **Gordon Pinsent**, Actor, Newfoundland
105. **Sarah Polley**, Actor, Ontario
106. **Anna Porter**, Publisher, Key Porter Books, Ontario
107. **The Rev. Jim Profit S.J.**, Ecology Project of the Jesuit Centre for Faith and Justice, Ontario
108. **Dr. William O. Pruitt Jr.**, Biologist, Senior Scholar, University of Manitoba, Founder, Taiga Biological Station
109. **Raffi, O.C.**, Children's Troubadour and Ecology Advocate, British Columbia
110. **Julie Ratcliffe**, 2001 Canadian Triathlon Team, Clean Air Champions
111. **Judy Rebick**, Sam Gindin Chair in Social Justice at Ryerson, Ontario
112. **Richard Rose**, Artistic Director, Tarragon Theatre, Ontario
113. **Dr. Stan Rowe**, Professor Emeritus, Author, Ecologist, British Columbia
114. **Clayton Ruby, Q.C.**, Ontario
115. **Nancy Ruth, LL.D. C.M.**, Social Activist, Philanthropist in Women's Issues, Ontario
116. **Warren Sawkiw**, Baseball, Olympic Baseball Team Member, Seoul '88, Toronto Blue Jays, Detroit Tigers, Chicago White Sox Professional Baseball Player, Clean air Champions
117. **Robert Schad**, President & CEO Husky Injection Molding Systems, Ontario
118. **Dr. David Schindler, FRS FRCS**, Killam Memorial Professor of Ecology, Winner of the Volvo Prize in Environmental Science, Alberta
119. **Monsignor Peter Schonenbach**, General Secretary of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Ontario
120. **Edward R. Schreyer**, former Governor General, former Premier, Manitoba
121. **Bishop The Rt. Rev. Raymond Schultz**, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, National Church Office
122. **Elizabeth Shepherd**, Actor
123. **Linda Spalding**, Author, Ontario
124. **Senator The Honourable Mira Spivak**, Deputy Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy Environment and Natural Resources, Manitoba
125. **Karen Stemmler**, Olympic Alpine Ski Team, Clean Air Champions
126. **Erika-Leigh Stirton**, Rhythmic Gymnastics, 5 time Gold Medalist Commonwealth Games, Clean Air Champions,
127. **Dr. David Suzuki, O.C.**, Scientist, Environmentalist and Broadcaster, British Columbia
128. **Brenda Taylor**, Double Gold Medallist 1992 Olympic Games (Rowing), Clean Air Champions
129. **Lindsay Telfer**, National Co-ordinator Sierra Youth Coalition, Ontario

130. **George Terry, O.C. C.M.CD**, Advocate for the Rights of the Elderly
131. **R.H. Thomson**, Actor, Author, Ontario
132. **Alex Tilley**, Chairman “Tilley Endurables”, Ontario
133. **The Tragically Hip**: Rob Baker, Gord Downie, Johnny Fay, Paul Langlois, and Gord Sinclair
134. **Bill Trayling**, 2002 EcoChallenge Participant, Former National Team Kayaker and head Coach of the Mississauga Canoe Club, Clean Air Champion
135. **Jessica Tudos**, Gymnastics 1984, Olympian 5th place team, Member of Clean Air Champions
136. **Jean-Guy Vaillancourt**, Professor University of Montreal, Quebec
137. **Ian G. Waddell**, Author, former Cabinet Minister and MLA, British Columbia
138. **The Honourable Eugene Whelan O.C. P.C.**, former Minister of Agriculture, Manitoba
139. **Senator the Honourable Lois Wilson**, former Moderator United Church of Canada, Ontario
140. **Megan Wing**, seven time National Ice Dance medallists, World Team, Clean Air Champions
141. **Ronald Wright**, Author, Ontario
142. **Hassan Yussuff**, Secretary-Treasurer Canadian Labour Congress
143. **Adam Zimmerman**, Former-CEO Noranda McMillan Bloedel, Ontario