



BILL WALKER, MPP

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Petition - To Reconsider Plan to Ban Natural Gas Heat

TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO:

WHEREAS currently, 76 per cent of homes in Ontario use natural gas for heat, and

WHEREAS natural gas is a clean, reliable and affordable fuel source and is 68 per cent less expensive than electricity and 59 per cent less than home heating oil, and

WHEREAS natural gas will help Ontario meet a lower carbon future by providing rural Ontarians heating their homes on propane with a 20% greenhouse gas emissions reduction, and those on home heating oil with a 25% reduction; and

WHEREAS under Premier Wynne's new plan, all homes and buildings built after 2030 will be barred from using natural gas, and

WHEREAS making the switch from natural gas heat to electric heat will cost an average of \$3,000 extra per home and homeowners will be faced with at least \$4,500 in renovation costs, and

WHEREAS the Government's misguided energy policies have already resulted in unaffordable business and residential energy rates that are forcing jobs out of the Province, and

WHEREAS the Minister of Energy is on the record recommending Ontarians switch to natural gas to escape exorbitant hydro bills,

WE THE UNDERSIGNED PETITION THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AS FOLLOWS:

To immediately reconsider the plan to ban natural gas heat from Ontario buildings and new construction.

Name (Please Print)	Address (Please Print)	Email Address	Signature

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