

# BILL WALKER, MPP

BRUCE - GREY - OWEN SOUND



## PETITION: Stop Making Life Harder for Ontarians

### TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO:

**WHEREAS**, Ontario's provincial government finances are a mess because of 13 years of Liberal waste, mismanagement and scandal; and

**WHEREAS**, this Government is running eight consecutive budget deficits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Government has racked up \$302 Billion in debt, the highest debt in the Country; and

**WHEREAS**, the debt servicing costs us \$11 Billion in lost tax dollars every year; and

**WHEREAS**, the payments to service the debt are the third largest expenditure and the fastest growing expense in Government, and money NOT spent on critical and core public services such as health care and education; and

**WHEREAS**, each \$1 billion of it equals the loss of:

- one year of long-term care for 17,000 seniors
- one year of home care for 55,000 people
- 3,550 palliative care beds for one year
- 8,000 new affordable housing units
- \$260 a month for one year for each ODSP recipient
- one year of free tuition for 2,000 students
- 10,000 new school playgrounds

**WHEREAS**, if interest rates do go up, the cost of servicing Ontario's debt will increase higher still, taking out even more money out of key public services that the people of Ontario need; therefore

**We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:** to take immediate action to stop sticking us with the tab for waste, mismanagement and scandal that's made life harder for Ontarians.

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