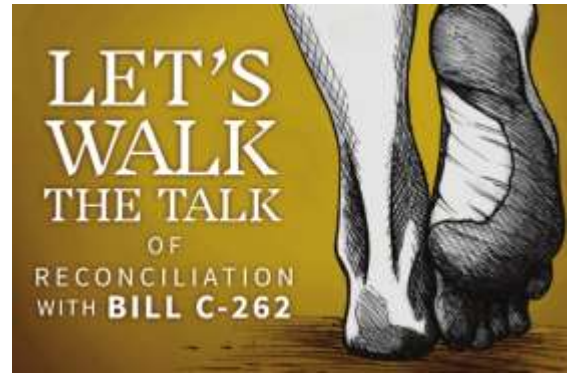


Suggested Messages for Senators Regarding Bill C-262

Friends!

Bill C-262 is an act asking “... *the Government of Canada to take all measures necessary to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.*”

Because of the amazing grassroots advocacy of Indigenous peoples, churches and social justice organizations, Bill C-262 has passed 3rd reading in the House of Commons and is **now up for debate in the Senate.**



Read the complete text of **Bill C-262** at <https://goo.gl/mWTFLh>

For more info about the **UN Declaration** and **C-262** see www.declarationcoalition.com

Below are some *suggested messages* for handwritten postcards urging Senators to support Bill C-262. Pick one that resonates, or feel free to craft your own. Use language that is positive and respectful, as it will garner more ears to hear.

- Bill C-262 can change Canada’s future and move us toward respectful relations with Indigenous nations. I urge you to support Bill C-262, “An Act to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”
- The Truth and Reconciliation Commission has stated that the adoption of the Declaration is foundational to any genuine reconciliation in Canada. Bill C-262 can make that happen. Please support this “Act to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”
- I pray for the federal government, as I pray for myself: that we would have the courage to seek justice and do the hard work required to repair the damage of colonialism. Please support Bill C-262, “An Act to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”
- Over 370 million Indigenous peoples worldwide support the protection of their basic rights as peoples and individuals. We don’t need more consultation. We need a legislative framework for the UNDRIP. Support Bill C-262, “An Act to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”
- Colonial laws and structures continue to oppress Indigenous peoples daily in our country. Please support Bill C-262, “An Act to ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”

Tips for Organizing a Postcard Event at Your Church or Community Org

- Read Bill C-262** so you know what you are asking your community to engage: see goo.gl/mWTFLh
- Ask leadership** (or whoever needs to be asked) if it works to have a postcard event in your church or org space. You'll get more traction if you follow protocol and have their support.
- Pick a **space and time** that works well. Coffee break in the work lunch room? After the church service in the foyer?
- Have a **table** for people to write on.
- Have lots of **pens** on hand.
- Print off multiple copies of the **"SUGGESTED MESSAGES"** sheet... *one sheet won't be enough.*
- Print off the **"List of Senators"** sheet. Who will your group write to? *Every Senator? Or the Senators from your province/territory? the Senators affiliated with parties that might need extra encouragement? Or the Members of the Standing Senate Committee on Aboriginal Peoples (we've highlighted them in bold)?*
- Have a **box** for finished postcards – better chance they'll get mailed if you collect them all. (Reminder that postage to our Senators is free).
- Additional postcards can be obtained at *CommonWord* – www.commonword.ca/go/1283. (Postcards are free, but we ask that you pay for the mailing).



List of Senators

Name	Party Affiliation	Province/Territory
<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Tannas	Conservative	Alberta
<input type="checkbox"/> Yonah Martin	Conservative	British Columbia
<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Neufeld	Conservative	British Columbia
<input type="checkbox"/> Donald Neil Plett	Conservative	Manitoba
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