# BAN TERMINATOR TECHNOLOGY

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

We, the undersigned Citizens of Canada draw to the attention of the House the following:
THAT Terminator (Genetic Use Restriction Technologies) are technologies of genetic engineering designed to render seeds sterile at harvest and thus prevent farmers from saving and replanting seeds.
THAT seed saving is key to farmer livelihoods, food security and crop genetic diversity.
THAT in March 2006, in recognition of the potential impacts on farmers, Indigenous peoples and the environment, governments strengthened the global moratorium on Terminator at the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity. THAT the Government of Canada does not yet rule out approval of Terminator technologies.

THEREFORE, YOUR PETITIONERS call upon Parliament to enshrine in legislation a permanent national ban on Terminator technologies (Genetic Use Restriction Technologies) to ensure that these are never planted, field-tested, patented or commercialized in Canada.

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