Petition to the Ontario Legislative Assembly

Access to Trades & Professions in Ontario

TO: The Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

WHEREAS Ontario enjoys the continuing benefit of the contributions of men and women who choose to leave their country of origin in order to settle in Canada, raise their families, educate their children and pursue their livelihoods and careers **and**

WHEREAS Newcomers to Canada who choose to settle in Ontario find frequent and unnecessary obstacles that prevent skilled trades people, professional and managerial talent from practicing the professions, trades and occupations for which they have been trained in their country of origin **and**

WHEREAS Ontario, its businesses, its people and its institutions badly need the professional, managerial and technical skills that many newcomers to Canada have and want to use,

WE the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

THAT the Government of Ontario, through the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities and the other institutions and agencies of and within the Government of Ontario, undertake specific and proactive measures to work with the bodies regulating access to Ontario's professions, trades and other occupations in order that newcomers to Canada gain fair, timely and cost-effective access to certification and other measures that facilitate the entry, or re-entry, of skilled workers and professionals trained outside Canada into the Canadian workforce.

Name	Home Address and E-Mail	Signature

Please mail *(do not fax)* this **original** petition *(no copies)* to:

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