



**ASSEMBLÉE NATIONALE  
DU QUÉBEC**

**EXTRAIT DE PÉTITION  
(Conforme au Règlement)**

**Je dépose l'extrait d'une pétition adressée à l'Assemblée nationale, signée par 1 644 pétitionnaires.**

**Désignation : Citoyens et citoyennes du Québec**

**Les faits invoqués sont les suivants :**

**WHEREAS** the Government tabled Bill 21, An act respecting the laicity of the State, on March 28, 2019;

**WHEREAS** Bill 21 prohibits teachers of educational institutions under the jurisdiction of a school board established under the Education Act of wearing religious symbols in the exercise of their functions (Schedule II (10));

**WHEREAS** freedom of religion, which includes the right to wear religious symbols, is guaranteed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms;

**WHEREAS** Bill 21 discriminates against current and future teachers based upon their religious belief;

**WHEREAS** the broad area of learning in the Québec Educational Program entitled Citizenship and Community Life has the educational aim to ensure that students “develop a spirit of openness and respect for diversity”;

**WHEREAS** the diversity of society should be reflected in our schools as they exist in our larger communities;

**WHEREAS** wearing a religious symbol has no bearing on the quality of teaching or on the ability of the teacher to teach in an objective and neutral manner;

**Et l'intervention réclamée se résume ainsi :**

We, the undersigned, call upon the Government of Québec to remove public educational institutions from the application of Bill 21.

**Je certifie que cet extrait est conforme à l'original de la pétition.**

**Jennifer Maccarone  
Députée de Westmount–Saint-Louis**

**Date de signature de l'extrait**