PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

Petition to adopt meaningful age verification

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RESIDENTS OF CANADA, draw the attention of the House to the following:

WHEREAS an estimate 90% of boys and 60% of girls view online pornography before age 18;
WHEREAS the average boy sees pornography at age 12;
WHEREAS the majority of sexually explicit material features violence toward, and the domination, degradation and humiliation of women and girls;
WHEREAS the effects of the ease of accessibility of violent and degrading sexually explicit material is a matter of public health;
WHEREAS a child's exposure to violent sexually explicit material is a form of child abuse;
WHEREAS Article 17 of the UN *Convention on the Rights of the Child*, requires Canada to develop the means to protect children from forms of media that are 'injurious to his or her well-being....';

THEREFORE your petitioners call upon the House of Commons to require meaningful age verification on all adult websites.

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