Stop Ford's Health Care Privatization Plan

TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO:

Whereas Ontario has a health staffing crisis because there are not enough doctors and nurses;

Whereas Health care workers are run off their feet;

Whereas People wait hours in hospitals, in pain and worried;

Whereas People wait months for treatment and surgery, while their quality of life slips away;

Whereas Everyone should get health care when they need it, not just when they can afford it;

Whereas With privatization, patients will end up paying, and almost everyone will suffer longer;

We the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to:

Fix public health care for everyone by repealing Bill 124 and recruiting, retaining, returning and respecting doctors, nurses and PSWs with better pay, better working conditions and more respect; licensing tens of thousands of internationally educated nurses and doctors already in Ontario, who wait years and pay thousands to have their credentials certified; make education and training free or low-cost for nurses, doctors and other health care professionals; incentivize doctors and nurses to choose to live and work in Northern Ontario; fund hospitals to have enough nurses on every shift, on every ward; and, make these changes so hospitals can stop using private nursing agencies — they can cost four-times more and make hospitals run less smoothly.



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