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The Honourable Shelly Glover
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ISSUE: Concern for the environment and the safety of animals during Canada Day Celebrations and in particular Canada 150

Reasons:

1. Grant money is given for celebrations that include the purchase and releasing of balloons
2. The large number of balloons released across the Country in celebration of Canada Day
3. These return to the earth as litter
4. The pieces of balloon are eaten by marine and terrestrial animals causing death
5. The releasing of butterflies, bees, bats or birds would help the environment
6. The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario strongly support the Resolution put forth by the Kemble Women's Institute and include a copy as well as their back up material

Resolved that the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario request the Minister of Canadian Heritage and the Minister of the Environment to support only environmentally friendly projects for Celebrations like Canada Day and in particular Canada 150.

President, FWIO

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Date