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In 2018, the Government of Canada committed to reducing poverty by 50% by the year 2030. But who will the 50% include? Who are the 50% that will remain in poverty?

During the past 18 months of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have seen marginalized communities face disproportionate infection rates, financial burden, food and housing insecurity, and barriers to vaccines. The communities facing the greatest impacts of COVID-19 also bear the disproportionate burden of poverty and inequity.

We can’t address poverty effectively without ending inequity. Governments have a legal and moral obligation to uphold the rights of all people and ensure efforts to address poverty include those most marginalized. Each of us, individually and as a community, need to hold them accountable to this obligation. **[On behalf of… I / We]** call on our local Member of Parliament, [Ms/Mr. Last Name], to sign the Dignity for All pledge to establish specific targets and timelines to end poverty and inequity among equity-seeking groups at [www.chewonthis.ca](http://www.chewonthis.ca).

Ours is a community of great generosity and kindness – will we also be one that seeks justice?

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