PETITION

TO THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE PROVINCE OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

The Petition of the undersigned residents **HUMBLY SHEWETH**

WHEREAS we seek to keep Newfoundland and Labrador as pristine as our award-winning tourism ads portray our beautiful province;

WHEREAS single-use plastic bags are a persistent waste product known to kill marine mammals and add to the micro-plastics load in our environment;

WHEREAS in 2007, Leaf Rapids, Manitoba (Pop. 582) was the first Canadian municipality to ban single-use plastic shopping bags, thus inspiring many others to follow including the State of California (Pop. 39 million) and, closer to home, several Nunatsiavut communities as well as the entirety of Fogo Island (Pop. 2,244);

WHEREAS eliminating this waste stream at its source is the best way to keep millions of plastic bags out of our landfills, towns, forests, oceans, and marine life,

WHEREUPON the undersigned, your Petitioners, call upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to prohibit all retail stores in Newfoundland and Labrador from providing customers with single-use plastic shopping bags.

Date:_____

Name (Please print)	Address	Signature

Please return *originals* of signed petition sheets to: Municipalities Newfoundland & Labrador, 460 Torbay Road, St. John's, NL A1A5J3 Page _____