

**A PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:**

**A CALL TO HONOUR THE VOYAGE OF LEIF ERIKSON AND TO RECOGNIZE  
THE CONTRIBUTION OF SCANDINAVIAN PEOPLES TO CANADA**

**We, the undersigned citizens of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons to the following:**

**WHEREAS**, over 1000 years ago, Leif Erikson became the first European to visit the North America continent;

**WHEREAS**, Leif Erikson opened up the New World to exploration by Europeans and was ultimately the forerunner of later European explorers;

**WHEREAS**, the contribution of later European explorers such as Jacques Cartier and Jean Cabot, have been recognized;

**WHEREAS**, Parliament has not yet formally recognized the historical voyage made by Leif Erikson and the many contributions of peoples from Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland to Canada;

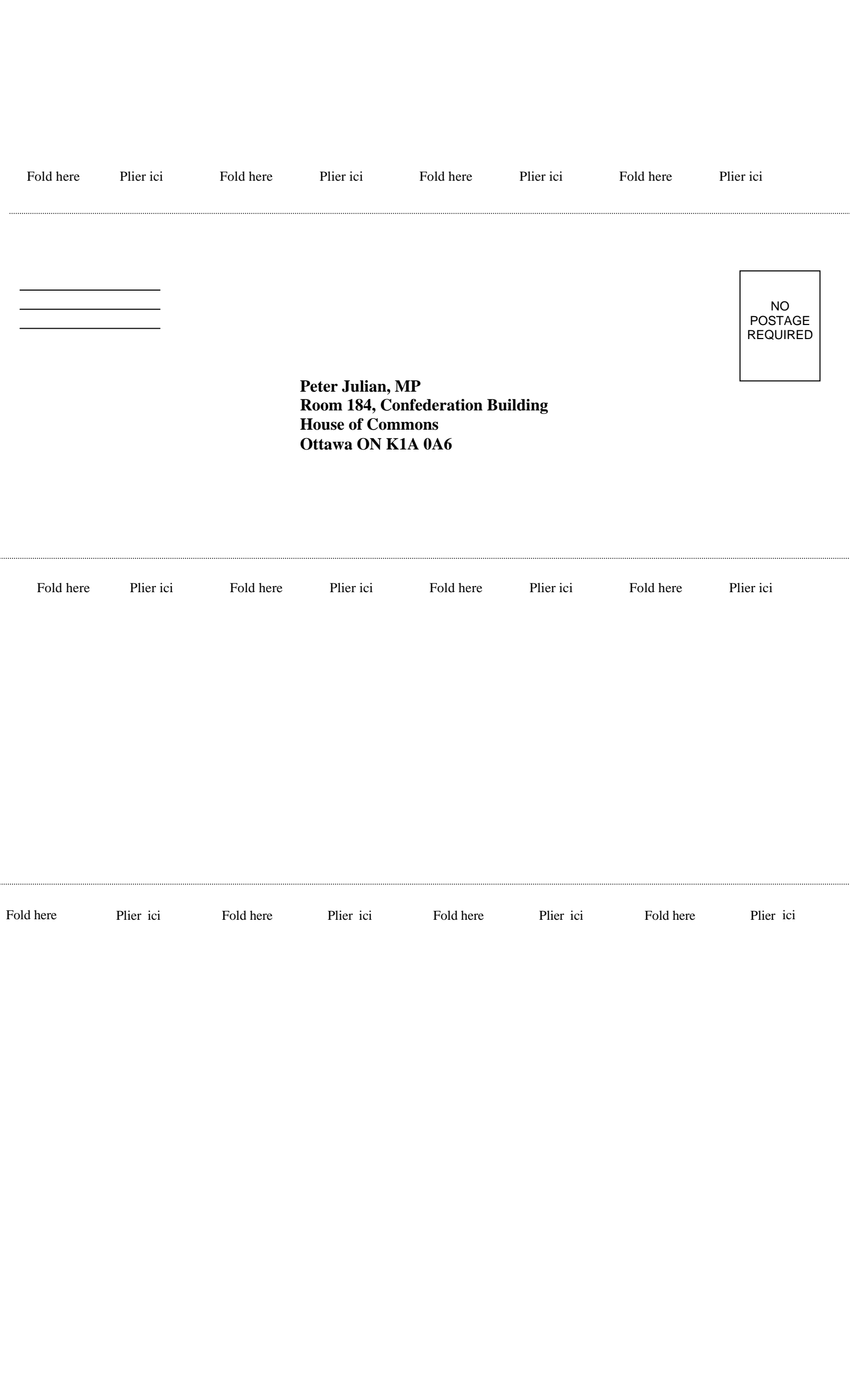
**WHEREAS**, Canadian citizens of Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, and Icelandic origins have asked that his voyage be recognized through the creation of a Canadian Leif Erikson Day;

**THEREFORE**, your petitioners called upon Parliament to support **Bill C-387** (Peter Julian, Burnaby-New Westminster) that designates the ninth day of the month of October in each and every year as “Leif Erikson Day.”

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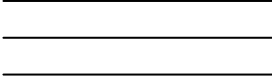
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