

[Sample letter to your Member of Provincial Parliament]

The Day of Mourning is a day to remember and honour those who have been killed, injured and who have suffered illness as a result of work-related incidents and to honour their families. It also serves as a day to protect the living by strengthening our commitment to health and safety in all workplaces in Ontario for the common goal of preventing further deaths and injuries from occurring in the workplace.

Statistics of workplace deaths, injury and illness in Canada are alarming. More than 1,000 Canadian workers are killed on the job each year and hundreds of thousands more are injured or permanently disabled.

It is expected that more than 90% of workplace deaths are preventable, and raised awareness of this fact is necessary. Every worker is entitled to a safe work environment, free of preventable accidents, and that we call on your commitment to reaching such a goal.

For all of these reasons, we demand swift passage of Bill 180, Workers Day of Mourning Act, 2016 that would require all publicly funded provincial and municipal buildings to lower their Canadian and Ontario flags on April 28th each year.