



The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), has signed a joint interfaith letter to Ms. Marilyn Gladu, Conservative Member of Parliament for Sarnia - Lambton, Ontario, in support of her private member's Bill C-277 which calls for the development of a palliative care framework in Canada. The other signatories are Mr. Shimon Koffler Fogel, CEO, Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs (CIJA); Imam Sikander Hashmi, Canadian Council of Imams; Mr. Bruce Clemenger, President, The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC); Rev. Dr. Robert Bugbee, President Lutheran Church-Canada; Ms. Sandra Pallin, National Director Canada Public Affairs Council of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Archbishop Papken Tcharian, Prelate, Armenian Prelacy of Canada; and His Eminence Metropolitan Sotirios, Primate, Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Toronto & All Canada, and President of the Canadian Conference of Orthodox Bishops.



The interfaith letter refers to the [June 2016 Interfaith Statement](#) on Palliative Care which the CCCB had developed in cooperation with the EFC, CIJA, and the Canadian Council of Imams, and which was issued in conjunction with the Armenian Prelacy of Canada, the Canadian Conference of Orthodox Bishops, the Ottawa Main Mosque/Ottawa Muslim Association, and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

[Link to the interfaith letter \(PDF\)](#)

[Link to the CCCB news release on the interfaith statement of June 2016](#)

[Link to Bill C-277](#)