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**Subject:** Bill C - 11

Dear Committee Members and Clerk of the Committee:

I wanted to send you a copy of what I sent to my local MP, Denise Savoie. I hope you are able to support us as Canadian creators who enrich our country's literary heritage and who also help the economy of our country. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely yours,

Eileen Curteis.

Dear Denise Savoie:

I am a visual artist, poet and writer living in your riding. Since the publication of my first book in 1975, I have published eleven more inspirational books that contribute to the literary culture of our Canadian heritage.

In the last couple of years, I have been receiving royalties in appreciation for my work as a Canadian artist and writer. This recognition encourages me to continue to contribute to our Canadian culture in a way that makes me proud to be a Canadian.

I am very concerned about Bill C-11, an Act to Amend the Copyright Act, that could have devastating results on Canadian creators and publishers who rely on some small source of income and who wish to further the literary achievements of our country.

I am asking that you support amendments to Bill C-11 in such a way that it will not severely curtail my and others longstanding property rights. I am particularly concerned about "fair dealing" which is "uncompensated use" to education. It's like taking us for granted and not even recognizing the endless hours and energy that go into polishing our creative gifts for the good of others much of which is done at our own time and expense.

As an author and creator I know that I and others want to continue to enrich our Canadian culture so that we have an identity that is specifically Canadian and we do count on receiving the small amount of royalties that we deserve.

I look forward to hearing back from you and thank you in advance for addressing my concerns. I trust that you will support myself and other Canadian creators who make a difference to our Canadian heritage.

Sincerely yours,

Eileen Curteis.