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To all Canadians

I am an 86-year-old veteran of the Second World War who served in the war as a member of the British Royal Marines. In recognition of my service during the bombing of London, I received a citation from the Lord Mayor of London. Ten years after the war, in 1955, I moved from Britain to Canada, where I currently reside.

During the war effort, my comrades and I sacrificed our way of life, as we knew it then, in order to defend Great Britain and its allies (including Canada) from an evil that was sweeping over Europe. We fought to ensure freedom and democracy with the hope and expectation that the generations that followed us would have a better and more prosperous way of life. Many of my comrades gave their lives to this end. I am one of the few of my generation who still remain alive today. Although I may be old in body, I am young in mind and spirit, and I still believe in those same principles that my comrades and I fought for during the war.

Unfortunately, today, another very terrible evil is sweeping over our land. It is an evil that comes not from outside of our country but from within it. It comes not from people of other nations but from our own people right here at home. It is an evil that my comrades, if they were alive today, would fight along side of me just as valiantly as they fought against those who tried to enslave the free nations of the world and to take away our freedom and democracy back during the Second World War.

The evil of which I speak about now is our family justice system. It seems to have no mercy on children or their parents, especially good loving fathers who seem to be taking the brunt of the abuse by the family justice system. Many of the fathers being destroyed today in the family courts are the sons and grandsons of the many brave men who fought and died for Great Britain and its allies during the war. Many of the fathers who died during the war did so, not only for the cause of Democracy and Freedom but also a desire to give their descendants a better and more secure way of life.

If my comrades and many of those Canadian solders who fought in the war were alive today, they would be utterly shattered by what they would see is being done to their children and grandchildren today by those in the justice system. None of us who were part of the war effort would have imagined the sons and grandsons of those who fought in the war to be victims of the very system of justice they defended.

It would appear that too many within the legal system have chosen to misuse their privileged position as custodians of the law for purposes other than justice, and too many others have chosen to sit silently on the sidelines by and allow this to happen. It seems that in just my own lifetime, the principles that many men and good fathers gave their lives for have been
forgotten to the principles of money, greed and politics. It seems that too many of the judges and lawyers in the justice system are abusing their privileged position to the detriment of their fellow citizens. I find this situation a disgrace to all people who believe in freedom, democracy and justice. When I make this statement, I am sure I am speaking for many of my comrades who are not with me today.

It is time that all, not just a few, stand up and do something to stop this needless destruction of children and families by our justice system. In many ways, what is being done to children and their families by our courts is no less horrific than some of the crimes committed by our enemies during the war. Families today are being led into courts to be financially and emotionally destroyed just as families were being led into the gas chambers during the war.

I urge all Canadians to take the time to help end these injustices. If I, at 86 years of age can take up this cause, then those of you who are younger than myself, especially those of you with children, surely should be able to do better than I. I urge you to speak up and to help expose and put an end to the injustices occurring every day in our family courts. I urge all of you good people to stand up and become more active in helping end the madness in our family courts today. My comrades, if they were alive today, would support you fully in this endeavor.

From a soldier who knows from real life experience what it means to suffer and to truly fight for a just cause, I ask all of you to take a good look at what you are doing to help others in your community whose families have been engulfed by the family justice system. Many of you already know, as you may have friends, neighbors, or relatives who have been affected. I ask that all of you make the effort to do something to stop this needless destruction of families in your community.

The family is the foundation of any nation and once this foundation is destroyed all will perish, including your children. If those who are responsible for the destruction of families through the legal system continue to spread their destruction while hiding behind the veil of the law, there will be nothing left of the way of life that your forefathers hoped to leave as their legacy.

It is time for this madness to end. For the future of Canada and its children, it is time for all good Canadians to rise up and take action against our biased and incompetent family court system and all those who support the evil and destruction that it spreads.

Yours Sincerely

Maurice Conway (d.o.b. Dec. 26, 1914)