

## DECLARATION OF CONSCIENCE AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION — BILL C-9

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, a living [man / woman],  
of the City of \_\_\_\_\_, in the Province / State of \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the Country of \_\_\_\_\_,  
do solemnly declare before YHWH, the God of Israel:

### 1. COVENANT FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

My right to speak, write, teach, protest, publish, and share my beliefs and opinions is given by YHWH and affirmed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Section 2(b):

“Everyone has the following fundamental freedoms: freedom of thought, belief, opinion and expression, including freedom of the press and other media of communication.”

### 2. OBJECTION TO OVER-CRIMINALIZATION OF EXPRESSION

I record my conscientious and political objection to any law — including Bill C-9 (Combatting Hate Act, 2025) — that may criminalize symbols, flags, or statements that do not advocate violence or hatred but merely express ideology, dissent, or spiritual conviction.

### 3. ATTORNEY-GENERAL OVERSIGHT

I object to the proposed repeal of the requirement that the Attorney General consent before hate-propaganda charges are laid. That safeguard exists to prevent misuse of prosecution and to preserve freedom of expression under the Charter.

### 4. PROTECTION OF PEACEFUL SPEECH

Peaceful dissent, religious expression, and symbolic acts must not be treated as “hate” or “propaganda” solely for differing from prevailing ideology. Canadian jurisprudence — including *R. v. Keegstra* (1990) and *R. v. Zundel* (1992) — confirms that restrictions on expression are valid only when demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society (Charter s. 1).

### 5. ACCOUNTABILITY AND PUBLIC DUTY

I call upon legislators, prosecutors, and courts to apply the law with fairness, restraint, and respect for Charter rights. All authority is accountable before YHWH and the rule of law.

6. DECLARATION

I make this declaration conscientiously, believing it to be true and consistent with the Word of God and the laws of Canada.

Declared this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness 2: \_\_\_\_\_

References:

- Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, ss. 1 & 2(b)
- Bill C-9 (Combatting Hate Act), First Reading September 2025
- Criminal Code provisions on hate-propaganda (former AG-consent requirement)
- Supreme Court of Canada: R. v. Keegstra [1990] 3 S.C.R. 697
- Supreme Court of Canada: R. v. Zundel [1992] 2 S.C.R. 731