



# **ATTENTION FIRST NATION CITIZENS**

## ***SAY NO TO THE HST!!***

### **FIRST NATIONS CITIZENS WILL NO LONGER BE TAX EXEMPT WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HARMONIZED SALES TAX!!**

- The harmonized sales tax is the combination of the 8% provincial retail sales tax with the 5% federal goods and services tax (GST). This will result in a new 13% tax on many products and services that were not previously taxed.
- This new measure will come into effect on July 1, 2010. As of July 1, the provincial retail sales tax point of sale exemption will be eliminated.

• First Nations believe they have aboriginal and treaty rights which include the right to tax immunity. First Nations in Ontario object to the imposition of taxation by other governments. Therefore, the Goods and Services Tax, were imposed without consultation and without First Nations consent.

• First Nations leaders have been working diligently on this issue since March 2009. Many meetings and discussions have occurred in an effort to ensure that the First Nations point of sale exemption continues in Ontario after July 1, 2010. To date, First Nation concerns have not been properly dealt with by the federal government. First Nations leaders will continue to pursue this matter with the federal government until First Nation concerns are addressed in a fair and just manner.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT NATHAN WRIGHT AT 416-597-1266, OR BY EMAIL AT [nathan@coo.org](mailto:nathan@coo.org)**

**LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!!**



**THIS RALLY WILL TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 10, 2010, IN OTTAWA. GATHERING PLACE WILL BE AT THE FRONT LAWN OF PARLIAMENT HILL, BY THE FIRE PIT, FRONT ENTRANCE AT 1:00PM.**

**Route** – We will be marching from Parliament Hill to the Ministry of Finance. The march will begin at approximately 1:30pm. Please see following link for a map.

[http://maps.google.ca/maps?f=d&source=s\\_d&saddr=Metcalf+st+and+Wellington+st,+ottawa,+on&daddr=140+o'connor+st.+ottawa&hl=en&geocode=%3BFdAJtQldmPV8,yMDXtc5qwXOTDE68MhdXtpZIQ&mra=ls&sll=45.423907,75.697088&sspn=0.009096,0.020599&ie=UTF8&ll=45.421453,75.699363&spn=0.009097,0.020599&t=h&z=16](http://maps.google.ca/maps?f=d&source=s_d&saddr=Metcalf+st+and+Wellington+st,+ottawa,+on&daddr=140+o'connor+st.+ottawa&hl=en&geocode=%3BFdAJtQldmPV8,yMDXtc5qwXOTDE68MhdXtpZIQ&mra=ls&sll=45.423907,75.697088&sspn=0.009096,0.020599&ie=UTF8&ll=45.421453,75.699363&spn=0.009097,0.020599&t=h&z=16)

**Buses** – Buses will be able to park on Commissioner Street and unload participants. Please see following link for a map.

<http://maps.google.ca/maps?hl=en&ie=UTF8&ll=45.415262,75.709614&spn=0.002741,0.004812&t=h&z=18>

**Security** – Marshal's will be wearing red bands on their arms and will be available to assist upon request. Also, please note the RCMP and Ottawa Police will be on site for safety reasons.

**First Nations** – Communities are asked to bring their flags and placards. All are encouraged to bring their drums, please contact Nathan Wright at the coordinates below if you plan on bringing a drum. Also, all are encouraged to wear their traditional regalia.

***THIS IS A PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION STAGED TO SEND A UNITED VOICE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA THAT WE DO NOT SUPPORT FURTHER IMPOSITION OF TAX ON OUR PEOPLE.***

**COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!!**