



**Nova Scotia Provincial Council  
Catholic Women's League of Canada  
Resolutions Communiqué #1**

***Inspired by the Spirit,  
Women Respond to God's Call***

**To:** Diocesan Counterparts (For distribution to all parish councils)  
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Dear Sisters in the League,

September gathers us together to begin again the work of the CWL. As the newly appointed CWL Provincial Council Resolution Chairperson, I am both enthused and eager to serve in this capacity with much confidence our year ahead shall be successful;

Resolutions have and continue to play a significant role within the Catholic Women's League of Canada. As such, resolutions can be directed to all levels of The League or they may be directed to Municipal, Provincial, and Federal Governments, as well as to private sector businesses. The purpose of a resolution is to propose a plan or to establish policy.

The term "Resolution" will and has at times caused a sense of unease for council members and often members may believe that perhaps they are not capable to serve in this capacity. This for the most part leaves the chair more often than not vacant leaving no other viable means for members to voice their concerns.

I encourage councils to use your voices and raise your concerns through the path of a resolution. A council prepared resolution could very well result in you, as a CWL member, being the reason that a certain law is abolished, or a new or different plan is put forward to affect change. Wow! What a worthy accomplishment!

We are very fortunate to have Cathy Bouchard as our National Resolution Chair. Cathy has taken a great interest in assisting all provincial resolution chairs across Canada. Her interest has initiated much meaningful dialogue. This being the first year as chair of resolutions, I found the discussion between Cathy and other provincial resolution chairs to be both useful and enriching.

Attached you will find a pamphlet regarding procedures to follow when writing a resolution. This pamphlet was prepared by the Manitoba Provincial Council and I am confident it will prove to be a very useful resource. As well on our provincial website under resolutions there is another very useful guide "The Four Seasons of a Resolution".

Following, are three resolutions which were passed in August at the 98<sup>th</sup> National Convention and which will soon be posted to the CWL National website.

2018.01      Attestation Requirements on Canada Summer Jobs Program

2018.02      Setting a Standard for Products Marketed as Flushable

2018.03      Legislate Designation of Hospice/Palliative Care Services in Facilities to exclude medical assistance in dying

Consider the “Action Plan” on each of these resolutions which is crucial to the success of any resolution.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel continue to guide us in our labours.