

RESOLUTION 5

WHEREAS we believe pornography can incite violence against women and children; and

WHEREAS television, magazines and movie billboards depict women in degrading roles to which our children and young people are subjected;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario urge the Department of Communications and the Attorney General to pass and enforce laws to prevent the degradation of women and children through pornography in all forms.

RESOLUTION 6

WHEREAS teenage alcoholism is above the national adult average; and there is much peer pressure to drink; and

WHEREAS advertisers lure young people by their glamorous, exciting commercials and

WHEREAS there has been a large increase of campus pubs; and

WHEREAS many traffic fatalities and other violent offences investigated by the police are alcohol related;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Ontario Ministry of Education; Ministry of Health; Department of Consumer & Corporate Affairs and Health & Welfare Canada to step up a campaign for tighter controls and public awareness, especially in schools and universities, as to the very harmful effects of alcohol.

RESOLUTION 7

WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation and Communications is encouraging municipalities to reconstruct their road systems and update gravel roads with hardtop surfaces, but had not set out compulsory legislation for yellow centre line markings on all blacktop surfaces; and

WHEREAS during late fall when visibility is restricted it is nearly impossible to determine the centre line on blacktop surfaces in dark rural areas during foggy conditions; and WHEREAS many accidents could be eliminated by providing centre lines; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Minister of Transportation and Com-

munications to implement compulsory centre line markings on all blacktop surfaces.

RESOLUTION 8

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is making a great deal of money from the sale of alcoholic beverages by means of both liquor licences and taxes; and

WHEREAS as a result of said alcoholic sales, many people become victims of alcoholic addiction, at a great cost and heartache, not only to themselves, their families, friends and communities, but to many innocent victims through broken homes, accidents, crime and violence;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Treasurer of Ontario to enact legislation to the effect that a substantial portion of the profits from liquor

licences and taxes on alcoholic beverages be set aside to be used explicitly for the care and rehabilitation of alcoholic victims in treatment and de-tox centres throughout the Province of Ontario.

RESOLUTION 9

WHEREAS present laws in Ontario allow a certain percentage of psychiatric patients in nursing homes; and

WHEREAS some psychiatric patients may by their aggressive manner be a threat to the physically handicapped;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Community and Social Services to enact legislation which will exclude psychiatric patients from the nursing homes for seniors.

Disposition of two emergency resolutions

Janet Hiepleh Resolutions Convener

Emergency Resolution sustained at the Semi-Annual Meeting

Emergency Resolution 1. Re — Request to the Minister of Education to initiate an early revision of the Document O.S.I.S. (Ontario Schools Intermediate and Secondary) in order to implement changes which will make it easier for students to include Family Studies in their credit requirements.

This Emergency Resolution was forwarded to The Honourable Bette Stephenson along with an accompanying letter of support.

The reply from the Ministry of Education came from R.A.L. Thomas, Education Services Division, on instruction of Dr. Bette Stevenson, Minister of Education.

Quote — "You will be interested in knowing that the Ministry of Education has undertaken the renewal of the Family Studies guidelines for the Intermediate and Senior Divisions. We are also developing an Ontario Academic Course (O.A.C.) in Family Studies.

Courses in Family Studies at the Senior Division are eligible for use as the required Social Science Credit at the Senior Division as described in *Ontario Schools: Intermediate and Senior (O.S.I.S.).*"

The letter further stated that our letter was being referred to those officials responsible for the renewal of the Family Studies guidelines. Appreciation was expressed for sending our concerns about Family Studies Courses, and we are to be assured that this important curriculum area has not been overlooked.

During the summer, one Emergency Resolution was sustained by a mail-in vote.

Emergency Resolution 2. Re — Request to the Federal Minister of Multi-Culturalism to encourage the visible minorities to take advantage of existing programs to educate and prepare themselves in order that they may compete equally for employment as do all other Canadians.

Emergency Resolution 2 along with an accompanying letter was directed as requested.

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