



**Ontario Provincial Council  
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**

**Resolutions Standing Committee  
Directive # 4**

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**To: Diocesan Resolution Standing Committee Chairs  
CC to: Provincial Executive, Diocesan Presidents, National Resolutions  
Chair**

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**My Dear League Sisters,**

Welcome to the new resolutions standing committee chairs and welcome back to those continuing for another year chairing this committee.

If you were not able to attend the provincial convention in Stratford or the national convention in Halifax, I urge you to go to the websites ([cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) and [cwl.on.ca](http://cwl.on.ca)) to see pictures, read the reports and hear the keynote speakers.

Of course, one important aspect of every convention is the resolutions. This year four resolutions were brought to the convention floor and all four were approved.

They were:

- ON.16.01 Enhance the Canada Health Act to Include Home Care
- ON.16.02 Equal Access for Permanent Residence, an Amendment to the Immigration Act
- ON.16.03 Expand the Nutrition North Canada Program to Include All Communities Accessible Only by Air
- ON.16.04 Training for the Safe Operation of All-Terrain Vehicles by Youth under the Age of 16

The complete resolutions, their briefs, resource lists and action plans are found on

the provincial website at [cwl.on.ca](http://cwl.on.ca) Look under the heading "Resolutions".

The first three Ontario resolutions were forwarded to the national council for consideration. However, when the federal government announced, in mid-July, that the Nutrition North Program would be expanded to include an additional 36 communities, Resolution ON.16.03 was withdrawn.

The following five resolutions were presented and approved at the national convention:

- 2016.01 Equal Access to Permanent Resident Status. An Amendment to the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*
- 2016.02 *Eating Well With Canada's Food Guide*
- 2016.03 Warning Labels on Food and Drug Products for all Inactive Substances and Additives
- 2016.04 Amend the *Canada Health Act* to Identify Palliative Care as an Insured Health Service
- 2016.05 Amend the *Canada Health Act* to Include Home Care as an Insured Health Service

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Congratulations to the members and councils who did such a wonderful job researching and writing these resolutions. It was a huge undertaking and these concerns will be brought to the attention of government.

**Now is the time for all League members to undertake their responsibilities.**

I have prepared sample letters for both the Ontario resolutions and the three additional resolutions from the national convention. **They need to be recopied** and sent to the government officials listed at the top of the page. If every council took the time at a meeting to get their members to write and send just one letter, that would be amazing! The seven sample letters are attached to this directive.

"Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
For they shall be satisfied."

As the Year of Mercy comes to a close on November 20<sup>th</sup>, please write a letter as a final act of mercy!

*May Our Lady of Good Counsel bless you as you work "for God and Canada",*

*Linda*