



Ontario Provincial Council Resolutions Standing Committee

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To: Diocesan Resolutions Standing Chairpersons
Cc: Diocesan Presidents, Ontario Provincial Council Executive, National Chairperson of Resolutions
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"Hope is the ability to hear the music of the future, faith is the courage to dance to it today."
(Peter Kuzmic)

Dear Sisters in the League,

As 2022 draws to a close, it's a time to look back, tidy up loose ends and a time to plan for a fresh start to the coming year.

Thank you to everyone who had the opportunity to complete the resolution survey. Although the number of respondents were few, the input and feedback provided was very insightful and encouraging for the future of resolutions. I've captured a few of the highlights:

Of those that responded to the question *Would you be willing to be part of a team to do resolutions work* – 15% responded Yes and 52% responded Maybe.

When asked *Why do you like resolutions and what fuels your interest in resolutions* – Same and similar answers were repeated throughout and they were all very telling.

- *Resolutions are a powerful source for advocacy*
- *Resolutions give women a voice in Canadian society.*
- *Resolutions help bring change for social justice.*
- *Resolutions address issues of concern.*
- *Resolutions help us to educate ourselves and others.*
- *When we see an injustice, we are fueled to do something about it.*
- *Resolutions help to change the world in a positive way.*

The answers clearly demonstrated that although the group of members interested in resolutions may be smaller than perhaps other standing committees, for those few, the passion to advocate for those that cannot speak for themselves runs deeply. Resolutions are seen as a vehicle to make a difference in our world. Resolutions are indeed alive and well and will continue to be so within the new structure of the League.

Important Dates and Timelines:

A reminder to all diocesan councils that December 15th, 2022 is the deadline to submit your resolution topics for 2023. I've once again included a list of **Important Dates and Timelines**. These timelines are very important and following this outline will help keep you on track.

2022 – 2024 Project - *FAITH into ACTION – Making A Difference:*

In my previous directive, I introduced the *Faith into Action – Making a Difference* project for 2022 – 2024. As your councils begin to plan out their 2023 activities, I do hope that they keep this project in mind. That directive with all the details can be found on the OPC website. I have again included the report form for that project for your convenience.

As this is my last directive for 2022, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a Blessed Christmas. I hope the season fills you all with faith, renewed hope and good health that will last you a lifetime.

Joy and Peace to all,

Mary Capobianco
Resolutions Chairperson
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