

PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF ONTARIO **CONSTITUTION**

PREAMBLE

Provincial Councils of Women are organizations federated with the National Council of Women of Canada.

ARTICLE I – NAME

This Federation shall be called the Provincial Council of Women of Ontario, hereinafter called the Council.

ARTICLE II – OBJECT, POLICY AND PRINCIPLES

Section 1: Object

To bring together groups of women, and of women and men, and individuals to work towards improving the quality of life in the province through:

- developing policy based on research and analysis of issues;
- developing and submitting resolutions to NCWC on issues important to the members;
- providing information to members and the general public on current issues;
- recommending and working toward change, where need is seen, in provincial laws, regulations and administrative processes;
- co-operating with other provincial groups in developing and advancing common policies and objectives;
- carrying the concerns expressed by LCWs to the provincial government.

Section 2: Policy and Procedures

Council shall abide by the policy and procedures of NCWC as stated in the NCWC Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 3: Principles

- (i) No organization entering into federation with the council shall thereby lose its independence, aims or methods of operation; or be committed to the principles of any other Federated Organization of the Council.
- (ii) In all decisions the Council shall safeguard the principles of democracy.

ARTICLE III – AMENDMENTS

This Common Constitution may be amended only at an Annual General Meeting of the NCWC by a two-thirds (2/3) vote. Notice of proposed amendment(s) shall be sent to the NCWC Constitution Convener at least four (4) months prior to the NCWC Annual Meetings.