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93.1 Beds for Long-Term Care

- a) concomitant to pursuing its goal of in home support for seniors
- b) to continue to ensure an adequate supply of quality institutional beds with adequate institutional care.

93.2 Welfare Regulations to Restrict Access to Working Poor

that the Provincial Council of Women of Ontario urge the Government of Ontario to

- a) revise the income exemption formula to disallow those who do not need assistance and include the employed, self-employed and the unemployed, who are in need.

93.3 Incentive for "Tax for Fuel Conservation" Program

that the Provincial Council of Women of Ontario urge the Government of Ontario

- a) expand the "Tax for Fuel Conservation" program by
- b) increasing the incentives under the "Tax for Fuel Conservation" program, over the next three years, for the purchase of fuel-efficient vehicles
- c) creating new categories of fuel-efficient vehicles that qualify for credits
- d) expanding the fee/credit to vans and trucks for the 1994 model year
- e) labelling all vehicles in the "Tax for Fuel Conservation" program in order to improve the consumer awareness of the program

93.4 Protecting Employees Who Report Wrongdoing

- a) to introduce "whistleblowing" legislation to protect public employees and all employees in government funded enterprises who, after unsuccessfully pursuing internal channels of redress make public, information on illegal and unethical behavior
- b) hold accountable to those laws, government institutions and institutions which are government funded, that harass whistleblowers
- c) that the National Council of Women of Canada urge its Provincial and Local Councils of Women to urge their respective governments to act similarly

93.5 Reducing the Debt Through Expenditure Control

- a) to introduce efficiencies in delivery systems and develop methods to focus on
- b) reduction of government deficits for 1993-94 and into 1994-95 with the aim to eliminate the deficits by 1994-95
- c) restructuring of the Public Services to make all Ministries return each year to the Treasury 2% of the previous year's budget, through cost savings, program simplifications, elimination of duplications and
- d) standardization of accounting systems for all government departments and agencies (municipalities, hospitals, school boards, etc.) and
- e) harmonization requirements for expenditure controls and performance indicator
- f) prorating capital infra-structure expenditures by a priority list based on measures of program accountability and productivity improvement targets
- g) making sure that training dollars result in the provision of skills required by business.

93.6 Reducing Unemployment *NCWC resolution

- a) to initiate suitable action on some innovative measures for adapting programs so as to deal with present problems and to substantially reduce unemployment
- b) urge its Provincial Councils of Women to ask their respective provincial governments to institute innovative changes in programs under their jurisdiction

93.7 Restructuring of the Economy

that the Provincial Council of Women on Ontario urge the Government of Ontario to:

- a) redefine its role on the creation of an environment where business can flourish and individual needs are addressed with greater emphasis on opportunity
- b) recognize the importance of international trade agreements in opening new markets and the concomitant needed to address problems in the Ontario Economy which seriously limit industry's ability to compete

- c) institute measures to combat school drop-out on an urgent basis, recognizing that greatly expanded employer contacts and counselling which convey clearly defined routes to jobs would provide incentives to stay in school
- d) make industry a full partner in the training system, with government contribution to the cost of long-term training for skills necessarily learned on-the-job, with business contributing to the educational system
- e) recast social policy to emphasize the importance of job skills, recognizing that welfare income can never rise above poverty levels and that reducing the present high levels of welfare dependency would release public funds for productive purposes.

93.8 Violence and Media Campaigns

the Provincial Council of Women of Ontario urge the Government of Ontario

- a) to develop and actively promote media campaign concerning the rejection of violent behaviour.

93.9 Violence in Schools

- a) to endeavour to prevent violence in schools by encouraging; discussion in schools about violent behaviour in the news and in entertainment
- b) the development of programs in schools of methods of conflict resolution
- c) peer counselling programs in schools
- d) the referral of students who display violent behaviour to Social Workers who can work with the student and parent to resolve violent behaviour.

93.10 Water and Free Trade and NAFTA

- a) resolve the uncertainty surrounding issue of water in the Free Trade Agreement through the execution of separate and binding joint diplomatic agreement and
- b) prohibit all water related commitments except the sale of bottled water in containers of 5 liters or less in size, under the North American Free Trade Agreement and further
- c) urge Provincial and Local Councils of Women to urge their respective governments to place a moratorium on all bulk water exports including water diversions until the Government of Canada has concluded a joint diplomatic agreement concerning the issue of water.