2000.04 NEEDS OF CANADIANS WITH DISABILITIES

Whereas: the Government of Canada has developed programs to assist Canadians with disabilities to participate fully as citizens in the workplace and the community; and

Whereas: there is a need to monitor those services available to disabled persons; and

Whereas: recommendations by the Parliamentary Sub-Committee on the Status of People With Disabilities have not been acted upon in the past; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that the National Council of Women of Canada urge the Government of Canada to:

- a. improve policies and practices to meet the needs and to enhance participation of Canadians with disabilities; and
- b. to ensure that the income tax system and disability benefits continue to keep the changing needs of persons with disabilities in mind; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the National Council of Women of Canada request the Provincial and Local Councils of Women (where appropriate):

- a. to urge their respective Provincial Governments to:
- b. respect the needs of persons with disabilities including access to buildings and services; and
- c. include the participation of persons with disabilities in the planning and the implementation of health care and care giver services, education, housing and transportation; and
- d. to urge that all social benefits and taxation policies reflect the changing needs of persons with disabilities.