

### **87.5 Environment Canada Cutbacks**

Whereas, Canadians rely upon a safe environment to provide themselves and future generations with a safe and secure future; and

Whereas, The environment is a top priority for Canadians; and,

Whereas, The problems of a safe environment cross provincial and international borders and require a strong national mandate; and,

Whereas, The Ministry of the Environment has an excellent track record as a research, regulatory and advocacy body; and,

Whereas, There have been cuts in Environment Canada's budget and as well major cuts in programs, projects and staff

over the past two years; and,

Whereas, These cuts seriously impede Environment Canada from fulfilling its mandate; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That The National Council of Women of Canada urge the Government of Canada to immediately:

1. Provide the funding necessary for Environment Canada to reintroduce programs vital to a safe Canadian environment; and,
2. Ensure that protection of environment remain a priority of the Government of Canada.