

Conseil Unitarien Du Canada

Violence in Our Society

WHEREAS most Canadians are aware of violence involving the use of physical force, but are less aware of violence in the form of exploitation of individuals or groups or of the denial of basic human rights; and

WHEREAS an understanding of the nature of violence and its cases and an acceptance of practical measures to prevent and to cope with violence in all its forms are of crucial importance:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Unitarian Council 1972 urges:

- 1. Members of local churches and fellowships to:
- a. Study the report of the Capital Workshop on "Violence in our Society" held in Ottawa in October 1971, and select one or more specific situations existing in their communities giving rise to serious individual or group frustrations; and
- b. Develop an understanding of the problems faced by police officers and assist in creating mutual confidence between the community and members of the police force.
- 2. Local municipal authorities, Provincial and Federal Justice Departments in cooperation with police associations to pass appropriate tests.

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