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Resolutions – 1973 – 1984 – Human Rights, A Summary

Five resolutions were adopted on human rights between **1973 and 1984**. Two of these had to do with general issues of human rights, particularly with the International Conventions and Covenants on Human Rights adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations. Both urged that Canada ratify all the Conventions. The Canadian government did ratify them in 1976. The 1973 resolution also urged the government to establish a Federal Human Rights Commission, which has been accomplished.

One of the resolutions, in 1978, expressed concern about the erosion of civil liberties in relation to language rights, and urged the Canadian Unitarian Council Board of Directors to “follow developments and be prepared to make representations to appropriate governmental and other bodies, and to join with others for their protection.”

In 1976, the Annual Meeting adopted a resolution in support of the principle of “equal pay for work of equal value.” This is the only resolution, apart from the ones on reproductive freedom, dealing with women’s issues.