



# 2019 PSAC NATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY CONFERENCE

**“MOBILIZE FOR HEALTHIER, SAFER AND RESPECTFUL WORKPLACES”**

## **CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS**

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF RESOLUTIONS IS  
June 7, 2019, 4:00p.m. EST**

Preparations for the 2019 PSAC National Health and Safety Conference, to be held in Montréal from November 29 to December 1, 2019, are well underway.

### **CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:**

- Engage members to take action, from ideas and strategies to tangible action.
- Raise awareness of new legislative, policy and regulatory initiatives for harassment bullying and violence as well as psychosocial factors.
- Increase involvement and knowledge regarding workers’ rights and highlight other redress mechanisms available to workers.
- Examine the unions role and the impacts of addictions and mental health in the context of cannabis legalization and the opiate crisis.
- Connect environmental issues with their impacts on workplaces and communities.

The resolutions should be aimed at strengthening and improving the Union’s work on health and safety issues and at advancing our objectives.

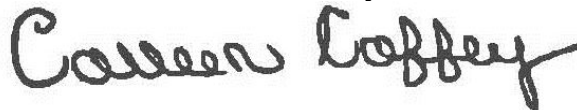
Resolutions will be discussed, debated and voted on at the Conference and then subsequently submitted to the appropriate bodies including the next PSAC Triennial Convention in 2021.

- The traditional resolutions process will be utilized for the 2019 PSAC National Health and Safety Conference (i.e. resolutions committee, debate at the Conference).
- All PSAC constitutionally recognized bodies and union structures will be entitled to forward resolutions to the 2019 PSAC National Health and Safety Conference.

- Only resolutions submitted properly will be accepted (e.g. debated and voted by the constitutionally recognized body.)
- Only five (5) resolutions per body/structure will be accepted.
- Please limit your resolution to a maximum of 150 words.
- Submitted resolutions are to be formatted in 14 point Arial font.
- Resolutions can be submitted in either the traditional or clear language format (please see the following examples of the two formats).
- Submitted resolutions should not include any special formatting such as boxes or drawings.

Should you have any questions regarding the resolutions process, please contact Andrea Peart, the PSAC Health and Safety Program Officer by email at [pearta@psac-afpc.com](mailto:pearta@psac-afpc.com).

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Colleen Coffey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Colleen Coffey  
AEC Officer responsible for the  
2019 PSAC National Health and Safety Conference

The following is a **sample resolution** reproduced in both the Traditional format and the Clear Language format:

### TRADITIONAL FORMAT

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>PSAC TO SUPPORT ASBESTOS REGISTRY</b>
<b>ORIGINATOR:</b>	PSAC – LOCAL 40022
<b>LANGUAGE OF ORIGIN:</b>	ENGLISH

**WHEREAS** We have reached a critical point in time where many buildings containing asbestos have reached an age that they now require demolition or extensive renovation. As there are many forms of asbestos, workers and clients may not recognize the hazard and risk exposure if there is as release of fibres. The establishment of a registry of public buildings is essential to the health and safety of all Canadians:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That the Public Service Alliance of Canada support the establishment of a mandatory registry of public buildings containing asbestos in Canada which includes an enforcement strategy for those who do not fully comply with the legislation.

### CLEAR LANGUAGE FORMAT

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**THE PROBLEM OR ISSUE:**

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**THE ACTION REQUESTED:**

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