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Resolutions adopted at:

Convention 2024; Executive Council January 16, 2025

General resolutions - Adopted at convention Emergency 2024-01

THE FEDERATION WILL call upon the Government of Canada to immediately cease the use of Section 107 of the *Canada Labour Code* to abrogate the rights of Canadian workers; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call upon every provincial federation of labour and the Canadian Labour Congress to join in a national call to action to remove Section 107 from the *Canada Labour Code*.

2403

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the Public Sector Employers' Council to adopt broad, non-restrictive bargaining mandates that respect union autonomy; and

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for the protection of free collective bargaining in the public sector, ensuring meaningful negotiations that reflect workers' needs.

2405 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliate members to align collective agreement expirations across the province and nationally where possible; and

THE FEDERATION WILL, in the event of back-to-work legislation, consider the act as an aggression against all members and will take any actions the BCFED Executive Council deems necessary to assist the ally who is victim of legislation, up to and including a declaration of a general strike.

2408

THE FEDERATION WILL adopt an expanded understanding of contracting out and assist with coordination at bargaining tables.

2409

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to make changes to the collective bargaining provisions of the *Labour Relations Code*, sections 11 and 47, to require an employer to produce full and accurate financial records for each work site as well as the entire company and any related company (including franchisee or franchisor) for the last three years.

THE FEDERATION WILL:

- build on the work that the Federation and affiliates have already done, and push the provincial government to immediately enact sectoral bargaining in British Columbia; and
- encourage the Ministry of Labour to aggressively engage in a public education campaign to inform BC workers about workers' rights and their right to organize.

2411

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the Ministry of Education and Childcare to continue to increase funding for children with all levels of disabilities and diverse needs in public K-12 schools.

2413A Composite to cover 2413 and 2414

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the BC provincial government and the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills to undertake and complete a public post-secondary funding review; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to call on the federal government, the BC provincial government and the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills to increase funding to adequately fund public post-secondary education.

2417A Composite to cover 2417, 2418 and 2420

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to lobby the provincial government to implement a provincial housing strategy in consultation with communities that includes a variety of housing options to meet the diverse needs of those communities; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with allied organizations to lobby the provincial government to enact real rent control, including vacancy control, and the tying of rent increases to the rental unit rather than tenants and to register all units with the appropriate authority; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to encourage labour councils to lobby municipalities who do not have supportive housing plans to work with the provincial government to create supportive housing.

2423A Composite to cover 2423 and 2427

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC and community groups to lobby all levels of government to adequately fund seven days a week, six times per day, reliable public transportation along Highway 16 (known as the Highway of Tears); and work to ensure transportation offerings meet the needs of all communities surrounding the Highway of Tears regardless of financial status and personal identity traits protected under the *BC Human and Canadian Human Rights Codes*; and

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- to increase funding and continue funding for improving access to digital services (including cellular) and pressure telecommunications companies to provide a viable solution(s) to the ongoing lack of services along Highway 16 also known as the Highway of Tears;
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THE FEDERATION WILL examine provincial government reports on Indigenous health and First Nations Health Authority reports and incorporate recommendations for improved policies and practices for Indigenous peoples into its own practices; and

THE FEDERATION WILL support and donate to Indigenous initiatives and organizations that are aiming to reduce suicide and addiction amongst Indigenous peoples in BC particularly in communities where rates are highest.

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THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to use the political power of all workers to call for all levels of government to uphold testimony of those who lived through the experience, and the documentation captured by both the TRC and First Nations at former residential schools sites.

2431 to cover 2430

THE FEDERATION WILL form an Artificial Intelligence (A.I.) Standing Committee to develop a holistic human-centric approach to A.I. in BC. The committee will research current impact and future trends, bring recommendations to the Officers to inform lobbying strategy for legislation and worker protection, and support affiliates during bargaining when A.I. issues are presented.

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to increase the number of seats in post-secondary health care programs; and

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for the provincial government to increase recruitment of health care professionals in rural communities and among professions facing acute shortages in urban centres; and

THE FEDERATION WILL urge the provincial government to retain staff currently working within the public health care system; and

THE FEDERATION WILL implore the provincial government provide service to areas with shortages of health care staff without using for-profit staffing agencies.

2439

THE FEDERATION WILL reaffirm its commitment to strong public health care and continue to lobby the provincial government to eliminate all forms of privatization including within government agencies like the WCB.

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THE FEDERATION WILL campaign for employers and the provincial government to implement a permanent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for workers receiving long-term disability (LTD) income, and encourage and support affiliates to make this a bargaining priority.

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THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliate unions to negotiate the provision of non-traditional methods of providing emotional and/or psychological support, particularly for neurodiverse and Indigenous, Black and People of Colour members who may or may not have intersecting identities.

2442

THE FEDERATION WILL:

- support USW and forest unions' call for action on the forest crisis, including lobbying for First Nations ownership, co-management and partnerships and supporting First Nations self-determination in all phases of the industry;
- support changes to forest policy to ensure access to fibre is tied to manufacturing that generates jobs in BC communities;
- lobby that government programs, investments and forest policies require employment of unionized forest workers; and
- ensure that the softwood lumber dispute is settled fairly before any renewal of the US-Canada- Mexico free trade agreement.

THE FEDERATION WILL support a campaign to protect and grow domestic manufacturing by:

- lobbying to ensure government infrastructure programs contain "Buy Canadian" and "Buy Union" provisions, including economic and environmental impacts of domestic versus overseas procurement;
- lobbying for better trade laws that:
- encourage complaints launched by and with full-participation of workers and their unions.
- consider labour rights and environmental impacts,
- impose immediate penalties for trade violations,
- improve enforcement of the Investment Canada Act, and
- encouraging governments to maintain reliable, affordable access to energy to domestic producers to support jobs in British Columbia.

2449

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to increase funding for attracting people to live in Northern British Columbia communities and for funds to improve health care, affordable housing options and transportation in Northern British Columbia.

General resolutions - Adopted at 2025 Executive Council 2404

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the BC provincial government to ensure that financial support is provided through the Ministry of Finance to produce common data for employer councils and unions, and the Ministry of Labour to monitor the use of shared data in negotiations.

2406

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to facilitate the development of solidarity and collaboration among public sector unions in the present and future rounds of public sector bargaining. This will be achieved, in part, by holding regular meetings of public sector unions and bargaining associations to identify shared strategies and objectives.

2407

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to enact legislation that prevents employers and their bargaining councils or associations from withdrawing from master or polyparty agreements, thereby supporting stable and equitable labour relations and protecting workers' rights.

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and work with the CLC to lobby the federal government to review their student loan repayment assistance programs and advocate that net income instead of gross income be used to calculate loan repayment rates.

2415

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to supply contingency funding to BC post-secondary institutions to mitigate the resulting faculty and staff job losses that occur to balance budgets as a result of declining international student enrolment and tuition revenue.

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THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to reaffirm the commitment to accessible and affordable publicly-funded post-secondary education delivered locally for residents in their communities.

2421A composite to cover 2419 and 2421

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to build non-market affordable social housing; and for the distribution of this social housing to be integrated; and

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to lobby for and support the BC government's development and delivery of a comprehensive housing strategy that includes affordable housing for different income levels, regulated rentals, vacancy control and housing for the unhoused, including ensuring viable long-term housing plans are in place before dismantling temporary housing options including "tent cities" developed out of necessity; and

THE FEDERATION WILL initiate a campaign in cooperation with Indigenous communities that will include letter writing, engaging rank-and-file workers and BC Housing union members to restructure public housing under a model that is transparent and accountable to the public, and which protects the interests of workers and tenants.

2422

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the appropriate affiliates to create a resource hub specifically dedicated to supporting union members searching for affordable housing particularly around major employment centres;

THE FEDERATION WILL run a public-facing campaign showing the availability of this program for union members as a way of increasing interest from workers to unionize; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with interested affiliates to identify opportunities to invest in real estate for the purpose of developing social housing opportunities for union members.

2429A Composite to cover 2429 and 2448

THE FEDERATION WILL investigate the possibility of funding and creating an arms-length media outlet designed to promote progressive ideals and share the stories of the labour movement

while continuing to provide support for existing progressive media outlets and journalists through subsidies and other forms of direct contributions; and

THE FEDERATION WILL further recruit and provide training opportunities for prospective journalists, copy editors, headline writers and other related positions for the purposes of staffing this media outlet, and look into establishing a bursary, scholarship, or other fund to support the pursuit of labour journalism; and;

THE FEDERATION WILL work directly with allied independent media groups (such as Resolve Media, Constellation Media, Press Progress) to educate workers on the importance of independent media in Canada and threats to independent journalism; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to support a more equitable independent media in BC.

2432

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to promote and support the Cascade Region Labour Leaders Initiative (CRLLI).

2433

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to prohibit employers from requiring medical documentation for short-term sick leave for employees;

THE FEDERATION WILL launch a public campaign to educate about the unnecessary burden that sick notes for short-term leave places on our public health care system;

THE FEDERATION WILL provide support for affiliates who are seeking to remove sick note requirements from their collective agreements.

2434

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to approve physician assistants to work alongside physicians and other health professionals to help produce better outcomes, access for patients and alleviate burnout.

2346

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the BC government to prohibit the sale of tobacco products in retail operations that include pharmacy services.

2437 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for provincial governments to involve health care professionals, as well as alcohol users and applying a harm reduction perspective, in legislation to intervene and make medical determinations regarding the refusal of service. Additionally, ensure that privatized liquor stores adhere to the standards outlined in the legislation, with regular compliance checks and will urge the provincial government to implement legislation

and policies that prioritize public health and safety, thereby reducing alcohol-related harm and saving lives, including those of our members.

2443

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to revise procurement policies to prioritize value over cost by considering local contracting, employment and apprenticeship support; and

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for practices that promote economic development, high-quality public services and skilled workforce growth to ensure public investments benefit communities across BC.

2445

THE FEDERATION WILL launch a public awareness campaign to educate workers about the risks of employer-backed associations like the Christian Labour Association of Canada and the importance of independent unions; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to strengthen legislation and oversight to prevent employer influence and ensure access to democratic union representation.

2446 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL condemn the use of legislation to interfere with collective bargaining; and

THE FEDERATION WILL, if it should occur, request intervenor status in any legal proceedings related to the BC government's legislative interference in collective bargaining of a BCFED affiliate or another union where the BCFED Executive Council approves the intervention; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call on the CLC to do the same for federally-regulated affiliates.

2447

THE FEDERATION WILL petition the provincial government to mark May Day as a paid statutory holiday; and

THE FEDERATION WILL promote May Day celebrations and implement an educational program around May Day; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call upon the Canadian Labour Congress to lobby the federal government to mark May Day as a federal statutory holiday.

2450A Composite to cover 2450 and 2451

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and work with the CLC to encourage labour councils to lobby and advocate to municipal governments and regional governments for an increase to public library funding; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to provide additional funding to directly support the hiring of more unionized library workers to offset widespread staffing shortages;

THE FEDERATION WILL strategize with affiliates and support their campaigns for public library funding; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with affiliates to campaign to inform the public about the value of public libraries and the contributions of unionized library workers to our communities.

2452A Composite to cover 2452 and 24-135

THE FEDERATION WILL reiterate its support for, and campaign to raise awareness of benefits of the expansion of public ownership and operation, and its opposition to privatization, including P3s and contracting out of public services; and

THE FEDERATION WILL initiate coalition building with unions, labour councils, community groups and stakeholders to end P3 public infrastructure projects; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call upon the provincial government to repatriate contracted out services, as has been done in health care, wherever they are found; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to transfer key resources and services to public ownership and democratic control.

24-131 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliates to support the BC Health Coalition and its efforts to protect the public health care system and reverse the privatization of health care services in BC;

THE FEDERATION WILL support the BC Health Coalition in building alliances with civic, labour, ethnic, peace and political groups who support public health care; and

THE FEDERATION WILL support the BC Health Coalition in building on-the-ground actions to mobilize supporters to defend socialized medicine.

24-134 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL demand that the provincial government instruct BC housing to give the housing organizations in BC more freedom to make evidence-based housing decisions without fear of their funding being clawed back without due process.

24-137

THE FEDERATION WILL establish a Labour Peace Committee to promote the ideals of peace and disarmament throughout the labour movement in BC;

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage local unions and work with the CLC to encourage labour councils to establish links with local peace groups and assist in their work;

THE FEDERATION WILL call upon the Canadian Labour Congress to establish similar initiatives within the wider Canadian labour movement to promote peace and disarmament.

Apprenticeship & Skills Training Working Group – Adopted at convention 2401

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for the provincial government to prioritize enforcement of skilled trades certification through increased funding for inspections and stricter penalties for non-compliance; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call on the government to collaborate with unions, industry stakeholders and educational institutions to ensure all workers in compulsory trades are properly trained and certified; and

THE FEDERATION WILL engage in a public awareness campaign to highlight the value of compulsory certification for worker safety, consumer protection and the strength of the economy.

2402

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Climate Justice and Jobs Standing Committee – Adopted at convention 2454

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and work with the CLC to lobby the federal government to invest in an expanded Youth Climate Corps providing unionized jobs and training to young adults to support important work on climate adaptation and mitigation projects in their own communities.

2455

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for five (5) days of paid leave for workers who are unable to safely travel between work and home during natural and environmental disasters.

THE FEDERATION WILL:

- work with affiliates to promote BC as a global leader in the responsible development of minerals/ resources that a low-carbon future requires;
- press for government support to train workers and kickstart BC's critical mineral and recycling industry;
- lobby to protect Canada from dumping of minerals and goods produced in jurisdictions with poor environmental laws and few worker rights; and
- encourage governments to collaborate on a comprehensive supply chain strategy that creates union jobs using local products in domestic, value-added manufacturing.

2458

THE FEDERATION WILL endorse the Centre for Family Equity's Transit for Teens campaign, and support its efforts to bring free public transportation to all children and youth in British Columbia.

2459 to cover 2460

THE FEDERATION WILL increase outreach of its Connecting BC Public Transit campaign, specifically to target the general public and stress the urgent need for funding;

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and applicable political parties, to deliver sustainable public transit funding that will address both urgent and foreseeable needs for the next 100 years, including providing free transit for youth 18-and-under;

THE FEDERATION WILL push the provincial government to repatriate all outsourced public transit services providers; and

THE FEDERATION WILL support and encourage affiliates to have subsidized and/or provided public transit passes included in collective agreements, including those that cover their staff.

2461

THE FEDERATION WILL develop and implement a campaign and government relations strategy to advocate for the elimination of private contracts between BC Transit and private, for-profit companies that provide public transit services in our communities, and for those services to be operated directly by BC Transit, or by the provincial government itself.

Climate Justice and Jobs Standing Committee – Adopted at 2025 Executive Council

2453

THE FEDERATION WILL, with the support of the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC), Indigenous communities and community groups, call upon the province of British Columbia and the federal government to urgently proceed with legislation that enables legal and financial mechanisms for the protection of biodiversity, ecosystem health and species at risk in British Columbia.

2456

THE FEDERATION WILL create a campaign urging the BC government to investigate the feasibility to building new, or adding to our existing, clean energy generation infrastructure in as many areas as possible including, but not limited to, wind, solar, geothermal and wave energy; and

THE FEDERATION WILL further use this campaign to push for all new clean energy infrastructure to be publicly-owned, reliable, affordable and regulated.

2462 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate to the Ministry of Water, Land, and Resource Stewardship to collaborate with regional First Nations to provide leadership and functional involvement in the creation and management of consistent regional water supply strategies. This will be done with the aim of ensuring that resilient and sustainable drinking water supplies are in place now and in the future for all reserve lands.

24-136

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to demand that governments implement strong policies to support economic transition, protect workers, and safeguard communities. This includes retirement for older workers, and income support and training programs for younger workers;

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to demand that governments implement industrial policies that achieve a transition to a cleaner economy, seizing the opportunities presented by the global clean economy. A just transition is one where workers and communities shape their futures supported by social programs and public investment in economic alternatives.

Constitution and Structure Standing Committee – Adopted at convention 2463

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 11, Section 2. of the constitution to reflect that financial records will be examined annually to coincide with the third-party audit process.

It shall be the duty of the Trustees to examine all financial records semi-annually annually to coincide with the third-party audit process.

2464A composite to cover 2464, 2469, 2470, 2473, 2476, 2477 and 2480

THE FEDERATION WILL amend the constitution as follows to ensure consistency of language, style and clarity across the document:

Amend Article 16, Section 2. b) to combine subsections (i) and (ii):

b) Where: (i) the working membership of an organization is temporarily reduced by reason of the organization's involvement in job action in support of workers in a labour dispute; and (ii) the dispute has continued for more than thirty (30) days since the initial job action, the per capita tax payment for the month shall be reduced by the proportion that the organization's membership has ceased or reduced paying dues as a result of job action.

Amend Article 4, Section 2.:

Beginning in 2010, tThe regular Conventions of the Federation shall be held every second year during the month of November whenever possible. The time and the place for holding the regular Conventions shall be determined by the Executive Council. which shall give at least ninety (90) calendar days' notice.

Amend Article 4, Section 6.:

A registration fee for Convention shall be determined by the Executive Council prior to the notice of Convention required under Section $\stackrel{?}{\cancel{-}} 5$. The stated fee shall accompany the credential being sent to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Amend Article 11, Section 1. d) to reflect that one (1) Alternate Trustee is elected, not two:

In the event both an Alternate Trustee positions becomes vacant, the Executive Council shall elect a new Alternate Trustees prior to Convention provided the individuals elected are is a members in good standing of an affiliate, but not a members of the Executive Council.

Amend Article 4, Section 12. c), d) and e):

- c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section, amendments to the Constitution must be in resolution form and submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Federation not less than sixty (60) calendar days immediately preceding the opening of the Convention.
- d) Resolutions submitted in compliance with the requirements of this Section shall be made available to affiliates not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the opening of the Convention.
- e) Resolutions, petitions and appeals received or submitted contrary to the above shall be stamped as to date of arrival, shall be referred to the Resolutions Committee following the completion of all Convention business, and may be referred in order of receipt to the

Convention, with the understanding that consideration is dependent upon two-thirds (2/3) majority consent of the Convention.

Amend Article 4, Section 1 (a) to reflect the new ordering of Section 12.:

The Convention shall be the governing body of the Federation and, except as provided in Section 12 (e) of this Article and Article 12, its decision shall be by majority vote.

Amend Article 4, Section 12. a) (i):

Except as provided in subsection (c) of this Section, All resolutions, petitions and appeals other than those provided in Section 11 hereof, to be considered by any Convention of the Federation, must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer not less than sixty (60) calendar days immediately preceding the opening of Convention.

Amend Article 4, Section 4. a) (ii) and (iii)

- (ii) From local Labour Councils, shall be entitled to a maximum entitlement of three (3) delegates.
- (iii) From the B.C. Federation of Retired Union Members, shall be entitled to a maximum entitlement of two (2) delegates.

2465

THE FEDERATION WILL replace all references of "Racialized Workers" in the constitution to "Racial Equity and Justice Workers."

2466

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 9, Section 1. a) (iii) of the constitution to have the equity caucus election process moved to become Article 10, Section 1., Subsection d).

Article 9, Section 1. a) (iii):

Five (5) members of affiliates selected in accordance with Article 10, who shall each self-identify and represent one (1) of the following groups of Federation members:

- Racialized Workers;
- 2. Indigenous Workers (2);
- 3. Accessibility Workers; and
- 4. 2SLGBTQIA+ (Two Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual, Plus) Workers.

Upon election, each of the five (5) representatives shall be appointed to the Human Rights Standing Committee.

Each group shall elect one alternate each, except for the Indigenous Workers Caucus which shall elect two (2) alternates. The alternates will serve on the Executive Council if the elected representatives are not able to complete their term."

Article 10, Section 1., new Subsection d):

The election of the Executive Council members from equity groups shall take place in the appropriate caucus forums during Convention week.

Each caucus shall elect one alternate each, except for the Indigenous Workers Caucus which shall elect two (2) alternates. The alternates will serve on the Executive Council if the elected representatives are not able to complete their term.

Upon election, each of the five (5) representatives shall be appointed to the Human Rights Standing Committee.

2468A Composite to cover 2467, 2468 and 2474

THE FEDERATION WILL amend the following sections of Article 4 of the constitution to adjust key deadlines related to the calling and delivering of convention:

Amend Article 4, Section 5.:

- a) Not less than sixty (60) ninety (90) calendar days prior to the opening of each regular Convention, and forty-five (45) seventy-five (75) days prior to any Special Convention, the Secretary-Treasurer shall issue the Convention Call and furnish each affiliate with Convention credentials based on entitlement, such delegate registration must be confirmed by the appropriate affiliate officer. A delegate must be a member or representative of the local union, branch or lodge they represent at Convention. Two (2) or more local unions, branches or lodges may combine to send a delegate.
- b) No credentials shall be accepted later than fifteen (15) forty-five (45) days prior to the opening date of a regular Convention, and ten (10) thirty (30) calendar days prior to a Special Convention. Conventions may permit seating of delegates upon recommendation of the Credentials Committee.

Amend Article 4, Section 8:

Any organization which has not applied for and obtained a Certificate of Affiliation at least one (1) three (3) months prior to the Convention shall not be allowed representation in this Federation.

Amend Article 4, Section 3 (b):

In the event a majority as provided in subsection a) requests a Special Convention, the Executive Council shall issue the call for the Special Convention within thirty (30) calendar

days of such request, and shall give all organizations at least forty-five (45) seventy-five (75) calendar days' notice of the time and place for holding the Special Convention, together with a statement of the business to be considered at such Convention.

2471

THE FEDERATION WILL amend the following sections of the constitution to update and correct housekeeping errors that do not affect the content or intent of the constitution:

Renumber Article 2, Section 1., Subsection 3. (a) to 3., and 3. (b) to 4., and renumber remaining subsections accordingly.

Remove "," before "support affiliates against raiding." in Article 2, Section 1., Subsection 9.:

To protect the labour movement from all corrupt influences from the undermining effects of any agencies, which are opposed to the basic principles of democracy and free and democratic unionism; and to strongly—support affiliates against raiding.

Amend Article 7, Section 10. to remove the word "Annual" ahead of Convention:

The Secretary-Treasurer shall make a full financial report to the Annual Convention of the Federation.

Amend Article 10, Section 1. a), Article 10, Section 7., and Article 14, Section 3. to remove the word "Constitutional" ahead of "Convention"; and further amend Article 10, Section 7. by adding ", Section 1." after "Article 9" and before "a) (iv).":

Section 7. At its first meeting following each Constitutional Convention, the Executive Council shall receive a recommendation from the Young Workers' Committee and appoint the Young Workers' Committee member referred to in Article 9, Section 1. a) (iv).

Amend the order of Article 10, Section 8. b):

A candidate for Executive Council elected under this Section must be:

- (i) a member of an affiliated union; and
- (ii) a delegate to Convention; and
- (iii) shall have and maintain:
 - (1) the endorsement of the member's affiliated organization;
 - (2) a position as an Officer of a Labour Council; and
 - (3) the endorsement of the member's Labour Council.

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 16, Section 5. of the constitution:

The fiscal year of the Federation shall be from the first (1st) day of September April to the thirty-first (31st) day of August March each year.

2475

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 16, Section 2. a) of the constitution:

a) Each affiliated local union, branch or lodge shall pay, before the last day of each month, for the preceding month, a per capita tax of eighty five (.85¢) ninety-nine (0.99¢) cents per member per month.

2478

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 9, Section 1. a) (iii) of the constitution to ensure that the elected alternate equity caucus representative can attend meetings of the executive council, with voice and vote, should the primary representative not be available:

Five (5) members of affiliates selected in accordance with Article 10, who shall each self-identify and represent one (1) of the following groups of Federation members:

- 1. Racialized Workers;
- 2. Indigenous Workers (2);
- 3. Accessibility Workers; and
- 4. 2SLGBTQIA+ (Two Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual, Plus) Workers.

Upon election, each of the five (5) representatives shall be appointed to the Human Rights Standing Committee.

Each group shall elect one alternate each, except for the Indigenous Workers Caucus which shall elect two (2) alternates. The alternates will serve on the Executive Council if the elected representatives are not able to complete their term attend a meeting.

2479

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 4, Section 11. of the constitution:

Officers of the Canadian Labour Congress and invited Honoured Delegates attending Conventions of the Federation shall be entitled to all rights of delegates other than submitting resolutions, voting or standing for office.

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 15, Section 1. (a) of the BCFED Constitution to say:

"Between Conventions, In non-convention years, the Federation shall convene at least two (2) a regional conferences outside of the Lower Mainland Region."

2483

THE FEDERATION WILL amend Article 10, Section 7. of the constitution to the following:

At its first meeting following each Constitutional Convention, the Executive Council shall receive a recommendation from the Young Workers' Committee and appoint the Young Workers' Committee member referred to in Article (a) (iv) Chair to the Executive Council. The Young Workers' committee shall elect one member from the committee to act as co-chair. In the event the chair is unavailable to attend Executive Council meetings, the co-chair shall sit as an alternate on the Executive Council with voice and vote.

2484

THE FEDERATION WILL change the Indigenous Rights and Reconciliation Working Group into a permanent standing committee of the BC Federation of Labour.

Constitution and Structure Standing Committee – Adopted at 2025 Executive Council

2482 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL establish a working group that focuses on the issues and challenges facing veterans in the labour movement.

Human Rights Standing Committee – Adopted at convention 2435 to cover 24-133

THE FEDERATION WILL work with affiliated unions, the CLC, people with lived experience, and relevant drug policy organizations to advocate for the inclusion of treatment services as part of Universal Health Care, under the five core principles of the *Canada Health Act*, of publicly-administered, comprehensive, universal, portable and accessible.

2485

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to review the current Persons with Disabilities (PWD) assistance rates and increase the assistance amount to no less than \$1,800 per month for a single person, and equitable increases for PWD recipients in other categories, and that the rate be reviewed annually to keep pace with increases in cost of living.

2486

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to advance an Anti-Ableism Data Act, similar to the *Anti-Racism Data Act*, in order to collect accurate data regarding the lived experiences of people who live with disabilities.

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby to scrap the current Temporary Foreign Worker program and protect migrant workers, including advocating to:

- end closed work permits, allowing all workers to change employers without restriction or discrimination;
- provide education to migrant workers about their rights and entitlements, including the right to join a union; and
- work to fill labour shortages through full immigration and providing a clear pathway to permanent residency for migrant workers.

2491A Composite to cover 2491, 2492 and 24-139

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to lobby the Canadian government to immediately suspend all trade in arms and military technology with Israel, including closing loopholes and prohibiting exports and imports;

THE FEDERATION WILL work with trade unions representing workers in affected industries to develop plans for a just transition that secures their livelihoods and enables them to work without fear of being complicit in Israel's crimes against Palestinians;

THE FEDERATION WILL take action in solidarity with unions and other organizations seeking a just and bipartite resolution to the longstanding conflict in Israel and Palestine; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call for an immediate ceasefire in Israel and occupied Palestine to prevent further suffering and loss of civilian life; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call for a release of Israeli and Palestinian hostages, and protection for all civilian lives in Israel and Palestine.

2493

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to expand the definition of "Immediate Family Member" in the *Employment Standards Act* to add the Family Member Regulation additional definition clause of:

(c) whether or not related to an employee by blood, adoption, marriage or common law partnership, an individual with a serious medical condition, as described in section 52.1
 (2) or 52.11 (4) of the Act, who considers the employee to be, or whom the employee considers to be, like a close relative;

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliates bargaining initiatives to include "chosen family" as part of the "immediate family definition" in their collective agreements.

Human Rights Standing Committee – Adopted at 2025 Executive Council 2487

THE FEDERATION WILL create universally accessible documents for its staff and members.

2488

THE FEDERATION WILL ensure that people of all abilities, including deaf and hard of hearing people, participating in Federation events are provided the accommodations they require to allow for their full participation; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to introduce legislation to require operators of venues that stage large meetings and conventions in BC to meet the accommodation needs of all participants.

2490 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL continue its membership in the Migrant Rights Network and consider aligning its recommendations with the Migrant Rights Network; and

THE FEDERATION WILL launch a BC Migrant Rights Solidarity Action campaign that develops educational and support materials for affiliated unions and in cooperation with the CLC, labour councils to engage with the issue of migrant workers in their regions. The campaign must build alliances with migrant worker organizations, develop educational material, organize or join demonstrations, and pressure government officials.

2494A Composite to cover 2494 and 2495

THE FEDERATION WILL in collaboration with relevant drug policy organizations, lobby the provincial government to provide a rapid and streamlined process for individuals to access a continuum of care including detox, stabilization, recovery-based programs, dry shelters, transitional housing, and second-stage housing; and continue to expand detox, stabilization, safe supply, and recovery options across BC; and

THE FEDERATION WILL advocate for access to medical support, recovery support, mental health support, and housing support for individuals wanting to change their lifestyle and use of substances.

2496

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to encourage all affiliates to bargain language that requires employers to put forward all temporary foreign workers for acceptance into the provincial or federal nominee programs as soon as possible. In cases where the *National Occupation Classification Code* does not qualify under either of these programs, then the bargained language should require employers to pay for the application to secure permanent residency.

Occupational Health & Safety Standing Committee - Adopted at convention 24-106 to cover 24-105

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to lobby the provincial government to amend section 135(2) of the BC *Workers Compensation Act* to include all workers of all occupations in presumptive coverage of psychological injury.

24-107

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the government of British Columbia and the WCB to amend the exposure registry and create a defined category for unregulated substances that includes exposures to fentanyl, meth, and similar substances at work; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the government of British Columbia and the WCB to collect data on these exposures to support the workers affected.

24-110

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to amend the *Workers Compensation Act* as follows:

- replace term "mental disorders" with "psychological injury" to capture full range of injuries;
- expand presumptive coverage to all workers;
- eliminate the higher standard of "predominately caused by work" workers must meet to show psychological injury is caused by work;
- ensure the employer exemption only applies to good faith efforts to lawfully manage the workplace; and
- expand options for a diagnosis to include a general practitioner.

Occupational Health & Safety Standing Committee - Adopted at 2025 Executive Council

2497

THE FEDERATION WILL, through its Occupational Health & Safety Committee, lobby the provincial government to increase funding for pain clinics and to create independent, unionized treatment facilities which can help treat and provide resources for those suffering from the physical and emotional effects of chronic pain; and

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to lobby the WCB for improvements to policy related to chronic pain awards, so that workers who are affected by chronic pain from a workplace injury are assessed and compensated according to their specific permanent injury.

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliate unions to negotiate the provision of counselling for members who are returning to work after medical or personal leaves.

2499 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to legislate any forms of discrimination, which includes ableism, racism, homophobia and transphobia as workplace hazards under the WCB.

24-100

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and the WCB to provide workers who file a WCB claim or who intend to file a claim with navigator support to assist in the application process to the WCB as well as future processes with respect to the WCB.

24-101

THE FEDERATION WILL support affiliates to provide education and training on the topic of invisible disabilities and the need for accommodation; and

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to amend the *BC Human Rights Code* to strengthen the duty to accommodate.

24-102

THE FEDERATION WILL partner provincially with the Centre for Research on Work Disability Policy (CRWDP) (www.crwdp.ca) and will encourage provincial affiliates to do the same; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to call on national affiliated unions to partner with the CRWDP nationally.

24-103 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL continue to support the Stop the Killing campaign, including lobbying the provincial government for:

- crown attorneys be educated, trained and directed to apply Westray amendments;
- dedicated prosecutors be assigned and given responsibility for prosecuting serious workplace injuries and fatalities;
- mandatory training, with appropriate allocation of resources, for police and health and safety regulators to know how the Westray amendments apply; and
- greater coordination among regulators, police and Crowns to ensure enforcement; and

THE FEDERATION WILL encourage affiliates to educate their members on the Westray Mine Disaster and Bill C54, the *Westray law*.

24-108 Amended

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the WCB, the BC Minister of Health, all health authorities and affiliate employers to provide better training, testing, and protections for workers, as well as a fulsome risk management plan that includes an exposure control plan and better workplace safety and supports for workers in community health facing known or unknown toxic exposures.

24-109

THE FEDERATION WILL:

- lobby the BC government to amend the Workers Compensation Act to provide compensation that is equal to 100% of an injured worker's net earnings; and
- encourage all affiliates to bargain with the employer that the employer shall ensure employees are reimbursed 100% of their net income while on workers' compensation leave, and the employer shall not deduct any amounts that it is not required to remit to a third party while a worker is on workers' compensation leave.

24-111

THE FEDERATION WILL work with unions to advance protections for trans workers enshrined in health and safety protections.

Political Action Standing Committee - Adopted at convention 24-112

THE FEDERATION WILL actively oppose the rise of conservatism and will encourage its affiliates to educate their members on the threats it poses to wages, working conditions, and public services in a "race to the bottom;" and

THE FEDERATION WILL assist affiliates in their fights for fairness for their members; and

THE FEDERATION WILL call on the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) to take similar actions across Canada.

24-113

THE FEDERATION WILL work actively with the Canadian Labour Congress to promote progressive social policies as vote-determining issues in the lead-up to the 2025 federal election.

24-116A Composite to cover 24-116, 24-117, 24-118 and 24-132

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the Canadian Labour Congress, progressive research groups and community organizations to campaign for tax fairness and to highlight the value of public services;

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the Canadian Labour Congress to call on all levels of government to implement a wealth tax and close tax loopholes abused by the wealthy that drain money from vital public services; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the Canadian Labour Congress to call on all levels of government to introduce an excess profit tax on corporations and use the revenues to invest in affordability measures such as, but not limited to, public transit, clean energy retrofits, and supports for low-income families.

Political Action Standing Committee - Adopted at 2025 Executive Council 24-114

THE FEDERATION WILL work with CLC to lobby the federal government to increase the Old Age Security (OAS) and Canada Pension Plan (CPP) for seniors; and

THE FEDERATION WILL also lobby the provincial government for Canada Pension Plan (CPP) and Old Age Security (OAS) supplements.

24-115

THE FEDERATION WILL create an ongoing public campaign demonstrating the value of public services and the high costs of privatization;

THE FEDERATION WILL use this campaign to condemn think tanks including, but not limited to, the Fraser Institute and the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, for their continued efforts to mislead Canadians on public services; and

THE FEDERATION WILL fund the efforts of progressive organizations such as the Broadbent Institute, the Centre for Future Work, and the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives BC Office to specifically do the work of promoting the benefits of public services and their true value for Canadians.

Women and Gender Rights Standing Committee - Adopted at convention 24-119

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby, and support allied organizations in their efforts to lobby, the provincial government to provide survivors of gender-based violence with access to 10 days of paid leave.

24-121

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial and work with the CLC to lobby the federal government to remedy the lack of availability of abortion services, and address the lack of funding for administration of abortion services; and

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to lobby the federal government to follow through with the Liberal Party of Canada 2021 platform commitment to provide up to \$10 million to Health Canada to develop an easily accessible portal that provides accurate, judgement-free,

and evidence-based information on sexual and reproductive health and rights, including a section that counters misinformation about abortion.

Women and Gender Rights Standing Committee - Adopted at 2025 Executive Council

24-120

THE FEDERATION WILL demand that the provincial government implement paid leave for workers in the event of a pregnancy loss.

24-122

THE FEDERATION WILL create a campaign to support unionization in the early childhood education sector, working with affiliates with existing in-roads to expand in this area;

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the BC government to significantly increase its investment in expanding the \$10-a-day childcare to as many communities as possible and to ensure all caregivers and educators working at those centres receive a living wage; and

THE FEDERATION WILL further lobby the BC government to increase funding for early childhood educator educational programs across post-secondary institutions around the province, including establishing new programs at institutions where none exist.

24-123

THE FEDERATION WILL work with the CLC to create a campaign on equity for people giving birth with the goal of increasing the Employment Insurance (EI) for maternity and standard parental benefit basic rate from the current 55% of average insurable weekly earnings to 100%, and encourage its affiliates to bargain a top-up policy for workers who need maternity and/or parental leave.

Young Workers' Standing Committee - Adopted at convention 24-124

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government to create a wage premium for training or mentoring workers or practicum students.

24-125

THE FEDERATION WILL oppose the negotiation of two-tiered contracts and recommend to its affiliates that they adopt a similar policy, as these contracts disproportionately affect young workers and undermine long-term labour standards.

24-126

THE FEDERATION WILL organize a lobby of young workers to the newly-elected government to demand policies that specifically benefit and support young workers in areas such as employment, education, and housing.

24-128

THE FEDERATION WILL lobby the provincial government and call upon the CLC to lobby the federal government to take action towards ending youth houselessness and near houselessness, by funding various levels of housing for youth including high-barrier, supportive housing sites with wrap-around support services and low-barrier shelters and housing.

24-129

THE FEDERATION WILL include in all its conferences and conventions content specific to the needs of young workers to address these challenges they face such as precarity, lack of access to benefits, and lower wages; and promote their active engagement in the labour movement. **24-130**

THE FEDERATION WILL work with affiliates to develop a comprehensive training, development, and retention program to help prevent the attrition of young workers from union involvement as they age out of young worker committees.

Late resolutions - Adopted at 2025 Executive Council 2292

THE FEDERATION WILL establish a standing committee on organizing that will draft and implement a strategic plan aimed at consistently increasing union density in the province;

THE FEDERATION WILL set as a goal to increase union density in British Columbia to at least 50%.

Elections

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BCTGM	Bakery, Confectionery & Tobacco & Grain Millers International Union
BCFMWU	BC Ferry & Marine Workers' Union
BCGEU	BC Government and Service Employees' Union
BC Insulators	BC Insulators 118 (IAHFIAW)
BCTF	BC Teachers' Federation
BCIT FSA	British Columbia Institute of Technology Faculty and Staff Association
CRCDLC	Campbell River, Courtenay and DLC
СОРЕ	Canadian Office and Professional Employee's Union
CUPW	Canadian Union of Postal Workers
CUPE	Canadian Union of Public Employees
CEU	Compensation Employees' Union
DGC	Directors' Guild of Canada
EKDLC	East Kootenay and District Labour Council
FPSE	Federation of Post-Secondary Educators of BC
FVLC	Fraser Valley Labour Council
GSU	Grain and General Services Union
GWU	Grain Workers' Union
HSA	Health Sciences Association of BC
HEU	Hospital Employees' Union
IBWU	Interior Brewery Workers' Union
IATSE	International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Moving Picture Technicians, Artists and Allied Crafts
IAFF	International Association of Fire Fighters
IAMAW	International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
IBB	International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers
IBEW	International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

ILWU	International Longshore & Warehouse Union
IUOE	International Union of Operating Engineers
IUPAT	International Union of Painters and Allied Trades
IMA	Island Musicians Association, CFM Local 247
IW	International Association of Bridge Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers
KDLC	Kamloops and District Labour Council
KTDLC	Kitimat, Terrace and District Labour Council
LiUNA	Laborers' International Union of North America
MFHIU	Machinists, Fitters and Helpers Industrial Union
MWBIU	Marine Workers' and Boilermakers' Industrial Union
MoveUP	Movement of United Professionals
NDDLC	Nanaimo, Duncan and District Labour Council
TNG/CANADA/CWA	National Guild of Canadian Media, Manufacturing, Professional & Service Workers
NWDLC	New Westminster and District Labour Council
NCLC	North Central Labour Council
NOLC	North Okanagan Labour Council
PADLC	Port Alberni and District Labour Council
PRLC	Prince Rupert Labour Council
PEA	Professional Employees Association
PEA-HESU	Professional Employees Association - Hospital Employees' Staff Union
PSAC	Public Service Alliance of Canada
RWU	Retail Wholesale Union
SEIU	Service Employees' International Union
SJCIU	Shipwrights, Joiners and Caulkers Industrial Union
SDLC	Squamish and District Labour council
SCLC	Sunshine Coast Labour Council
TWU USW	Telecommunications Workers' Union-United Steelworkers Local 1944
PIPSC	The Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada
UBCP/ACTRA	Union of BC Performers

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UA	United Association of Journeymen & Apprentices of the Plumbing & Pipefitting Industry
UFCW	United Food & Commercial Workers' International Union
USW	United Steelworkers
UNBCFA	University of Northern BC Faculty Association
VDLC	Vancouver and District Labour Council
VMA	Vancouver Musicians' Association
VLC	Victoria Labour Council
WKLC	West Kootenay Labour Council
WVMEA	West Vancouver Municipal Employees' Association

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