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RESOLUTION 2012/1

RESPONSIBILITY FOR EDUCATION: SCHOOL BOARDS AND LOCAL AUTONOMY

WHEREAS the abolition of school boards continues to be a topic of concern and has been for decades; and

WHEREAS the Bédard Report, released April 20, 1999, recommended the establishment of mega-municipalities throughout Quebec and the eventual abolition of school boards: and

WHEREAS the Government of Quebec has enforced the establishment of these mega-municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Bedard Report recommended that these mega-municipalities eventually assume the management and control of schools within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS the sole responsibility of school boards and school commissioners is education; and

WHEREAS the existing linguistic school boards are the only guarantee of education in the English language at the present time; and

WHEREAS the Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations Inc. has supported, since 1976, the responsibility for education being kept in the hands of school commissioners, democratically elected and serving in representative school boards.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations Inc. strongly urge the Government of Quebec to maintain the responsibility for governance of education with linguistic school boards whose commissioners are democratically elected and who are responsible solely for education.

Destinations: Premier of Quebec

Minister of Education, Leisure and Sport Leaders of the Official Opposition parties

Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) 9 English School Boards and Littoral School Board Quebec Provincial Association of Teachers (QPAT)

Association of Directors General of English School Boards of Quebec

(ADGESBO)

For Information: Fédération des comités de parents du Québec (FCPQ)

Fédération des commissions scolaires du Québec (FCSQ) Parents Committees of Governing Boards of 9 English School

Boards and Littoral School Board

Quebec Community Groups Network (QCGN)

