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**RESOLUTION**

**FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**

**THE QUEBEC FEDERATION OF HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS**

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**Challenge to Law 40**

**WHEREAS** the Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations (QFHSA) has been a Partner in Education with the Quebec Ministry of Education for over 50 years, and

**WHEREAS** the English school board system in Quebec has been serving the English community successfully for over 175 years, and

**WHEREAS** the overall system of democratically elected school boards has been good for the English-speaking community, and

**WHEREAS** the QFHSA has adopted resolutions in favour of school board governance such as [Permanent Linguistic Voters List for School Board Elections](#), [Responsibility for Education: School Boards and Local Autonomy](#), and [School Board Governance: Bill 86](#), and

**WHEREAS** the QFHSA joined the Alliance for the Promotion of English Language Education in Quebec (APPELE Quebec) in 2019 to oppose the proposed dissolution of school boards in Quebec's public school system, and

**WHEREAS** Bill 40 *An Act to amend mainly the Education Act with regard to school organization and governance*, tabled in October 2019, infringes on the constitutional rights of the English-speaking community of Quebec to manage and control our own education institutions, and

**WHEREAS** we urged the Minister of Education to withdraw Bill 40, amend Bill 40, and /or exempt the English school system from its provisions, all to no avail, and

**WHEREAS** we are looking to continue the proven success of the English minority language school system in Quebec.

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations joins APPELE Quebec's intention to challenge Law 40 on legal grounds.

