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# Keewatin Region Youth Conference

## Resolution #1

### Keewatin Youth Council

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WHEREAS the delegates to this conference wish to form an organization which will represent Keewatin youth from the ages of 16 and up at the regional level and will help organize and coordinate youth councils at the community level;

BE IT RESOLVED that this conference supports the establishment of the Keewatin Youth Council / Kivallirmiut Makkuktungita Katimajingit.

- GOALS:**
- To voice the opinions and concerns of the young people of the Keewatin Region (ages 16 and up) on issues that directly or indirectly affect them;
  - To support youth councils in the communities by sharing information, experience and resources, and by organizing workshops and meetings;
  - Provide leadership and lifeskills experience and training to its members;
  - Keep members informed on issues that are of interest and concern to its members.

- STRUCTURE:**
- Twelve members, elected as follows:
- one member representing each of the seven communities in the region; chosen initially from the delegates to the founding convention but in following years elected by the youth of the communities;
  - one member representing the students of the Keewatin Education Centre, chosen initially from the delegates to the founding convention but in following years elected by the students of KEC;
  - one member representing the residents of Kivalliq Hall, chosen initially from the delegates to the founding convention but in following years elected by the residents of Kivalliq Hall;



-a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary-Treasurer to  
be chosen by the delegates to an Annual General  
Meeting to serve until others are elected.

Date: Thu, Jan 21, 1988

**Chosen to be the first executive of the Keewatin Youth Council were:**

President	David Ittinuar	Rankin Inlet
Vice-President	Bernard Krako	Chesterfield Inlet
Secretary-Treasurer	Sally Karetak	Rankin Inlet
KEC rep	William Autut	Rankin Inlet
Kivalliq Hall rep	Obed Anoe	Arviat
Arviat rep	David Ukutak Jr.	
Baker Lake rep	Perry Oklaga	
Chesterfield Inlet rep	Mark Alogut	
Coral Harbour rep	Willie Nakoolak	
Rankin Inlet rep	Judy Eecherk	
Repulse Bay rep	Jimmy Kopak	
Whale Cove rep	Sharon Kritterdlik	



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## Resolution #2

### Support from Businesses in the Keewatin

WHEREAS young people in the communities often do not have a chance to become employed (and/or receive training) on construction projects due to labour being brought in from outside the communities;

BE IT RESOLVED that construction companies and the appropriate government departments must increase the number of young people employed on construction projects.

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 1988

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## Resolution #3

### Summer Jobs for High School Students

WHEREAS high school students often end up with menial, short-term or no summer employment because they don't hear about the busy summer jobs until they return to their home communities, by which time the best summer jobs are already taken;

BE IT RESOLVED that private businesses and government departments should take high schools students into account when planning for and advertising their summer employment needs.



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## Resolution #4

### CF-18s - More Information

WHEREAS people in the Keewatin region haven't been adequately informed about potential negative social and environmental impacts from selection of Rankin Inlet as a forward base for CF-18s;

WHEREAS we are concerned about potential negative impacts on the communities and environment of the Keewatin from having jet fighters in the Keewatin;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Defence, the Inuit organizations (ITC/TFN) and the regional bodies (KRC/KIA) should provide more information on the potential impacts of having CF-18s in the Keewatin.

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 1988

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## Resolution #5

### CF-18s - Low Level Flights

WHEREAS low flying jet aircraft will disturb the migrations of caribou and other wildlife;

BE IT RESOLVED that no low level flights should be permitted in areas where wildlife usually live, these areas to be defined by the appropriate Inuit organizations.





# Keewatin Region Youth Conference Resolution #6

## CF-18s - Employment and Training

WHEREAS the Rankin Inlet airstrip will be extended and paved to accommodate CF-18 fighters;

AND WHEREAS this large project will offer significant employment and training opportunities for whoever ends up doing the work;

BE IT RESOLVED the appropriate government departments and the regional organizations should develop an employment strategy to maximize training and employment benefits for the young people of the Keewatin.

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 1988

# Keewatin Region Youth Conference Resolution #7

## Legal Aid

WHEREAS the legal aid and legal education services provided in the Keewatin are completely inadequate, especially in the smaller communities;

AND WHEREAS young people often suffer the most from this lack of essential services;

BE IT RESOLVED that this conference is in unanimous support of the joint KRC/KIA submission to the Legal Services Board;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we urge our MLAs to lobby forcefully for the necessary funding to make this proposal a reality.

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 1988



# Keewatin Region Youth Conference Resolution #8

## Northern Heritage Society

WHEREAS the delegates to this conference recognize the value of the unique training programs offered by the Northern Heritage Society, such as the Devon Island Field School;

AND WHEREAS the financial uncertainties which the NHS are faced with reduce the opportunities for more Keewatin youth to benefit from the scientific and lifeskills training provided by this program;

BE IT RESOLVED that this conference urge the GNWT to provide adequate core funding to the Northern Heritage Society to allow them to operate their programs with equal access to all young Northerners.

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 1988

# Keewatin Region Youth Conference Resolution #9

## AIDS

WHEREAS AIDS is a serious health problem which is not going to go away;

BE IT RESOLVED that this conference urges Hamlet Councils, Education Societies, etc. to do their utmost to inform themselves and their communities about AIDS;

AND FURTHER that the CBC and local CBCs should not be shy about discussing AIDS.

Date: Thu, Jan 21, 1988



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I HAVE ASKED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO READ THIS MESSAGE ON MY BEHALF.

AS MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUTH, I AM PLEASED TO LEARN OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE KEEWATIN COMMUNITIES GETTING TOGETHER FOR A YOUTH CONFERENCE. I AM COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THIS GOVERNMENT GIVES PRIORITY TO INITIATING PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO GIVE YOU MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO ACHIEVE YOUR OBJECTIVES IN LIFE. WE ARE GOING THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES BECAUSE OF THE SEVERITY OF SOME OF OUR SOCIAL CONCERNS RELATED TO ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE AND THE ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS OF SUICIDES AND FAMILY VIOLENCE. HOWEVER, I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT IF WE GIVE SUPPORT TO THE YOUTH IN THE NORTH, THAT YOU HAVE THE INTELLIGENCE, ENERGY AND DESIRE TO OVERCOME THESE PROBLEMS AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL OUR RESIDENTS.

I WISH YOU WELL IN YOUR DELIBERATIONS AND LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING ABOUT THE WORK YOU ARE DOING. I COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR INITIATIVE AND PARTICIPATION.

JEANNIE MARIE-JEWELL  
MINISTER OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUTH