

## **Council of Provincial and Territorial Archivists**

### **Resolution of Support for the Canadian Council of Archives**

The Council of Provincial and Territorial Archivists (herein referred to as the Council), comprised of the representatives of the provincial and territorial government archives in Canada, met on June 6, 2012. The meeting was held prior to the commencement of the 37<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Association of Canadian Archivists in Whitehorse, Yukon.

At that meeting, the Council had an opportunity to discuss the Council's terms of reference and developments impacting the mandate and vision of the Canadian Council of Archives (CCA) resulting from the withdrawal of funding to the CCA, specifically to the National Archival Development Program (NADP) by the Department of Canadian Heritage.

Considering the purpose of the Council to ensure active and relevant participation by provincial and territorial archivists in the national archival network;

Considering further the purpose of the Council to ensure a close working relationship with the CCA and recognizing the membership of the CCA as a non-voting member of the Council;

Considering the objective of the Council to discuss issues, problems and strategies that affect the members collectively or regionally, as well as common approaches the members have that relate to federal strategies;

Considering further the objective of the Council, in light of its unique perspective as the representative of the public archives of Canada, to partner with the CCA in providing leadership for the national archival network and to work as an advocate within government for the issues and concerns that most affect archives;

The Council of Provincial and Territorial Archivists is resolved to:

DECLARE its continued support for the Canadian Council of Archives as a linchpin in the evolution of the Canadian archival system, as evidenced in the development of national standards, the creation of provincial and territorial networks and in CCA's role as a facilitator to bring together archives, archivists and ideas resulting in a better product for all Canadians.

DECLARE the immediate transfer of \$12,000 from the Council's funds to the Canadian Council of Archives for its operations;

ACKNOWLEDGE the fundamental importance of the National Archival Development Program in supporting the needs and initiatives of the Canadian archival community towards preserving and making available to Canadians the nation's documentary heritage and towards advancing archival standards through provincial and territorial advisory services;

ENCOURAGE open communication between the Council and the Librarian and Archivist of Canada towards a re-examination of funding support for Canada's archival system (and the essential role of the CCA) in ensuring the continued sustainability of a true Canadian archival network.

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