

And whereas for upwards of forty years the settled policy of Canada has favoured the judicial determination of the claims of the Indians and at times has gone to the length of endorsing those claims,

And whereas recent events have clearly revealed the possibility that, notwithstanding assurances received by the Indians and the "Friends of the Indians," from the Prime Minister of Canada and other Canadian Ministers, the present Government of Canada will reverse that policy and even refuse to help the Indians in securing a hearing before the Judicial Committee of His Majesty's Privy Council, which for years they have sought, thus leaving them in a position of great difficulty,

We therefore recommend that, with the object of making the situation fully known to the people of Canada, there be immediately published and widely distributed a pamphlet containing the material documents and other necessary information,

And we resolve to join the "Friends of the Indians" in seeking to have an interview with the full Canadian Cabinet as soon as it may be practicable to arrange for such interview.

RESOLUTION No. 2.

In pursuance of the repeatedly declared policy of the Social Service Council of Canada, we earnestly commend to all Canadians who value the well-being of the native races of our Dominion and the honor of their country the supremely difficult task undertaken by the "Friends of the Indians," and express the hope that throughout Canada all possible help will be given to them in carrying that task to a successful issue.

WHAT WE MAY REASONABLY EXPECT.

From all that has been set forth above, it is not unreasonable to conclude that the sense of justice of the people of Canada will fully support the Government in taking effective steps to bring this long-standing question to a final and satisfactory issue, and when the true nature of the question involved has become more generally known, will even demand the taking of such steps.

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