

Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (CANAC) April 13, 2008

CANAC calls upon the government of Canada to fulfill its obligations to the fight against AIDS.

At its Annual General Meeting held in Ottawa on April 13, 2008, the Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (CANAC) unanimously passed the following resolution

"WHEREAS the struggle against AIDS in Canada has been built on a strong partnership between researchers, health care providers and the community

AND WHEREAS community-based prevention work as well as research, education and support services are essential elements of the national strategy to combat the epidemic

AND WHEREAS the Federal government has reduced its grants and contributions made by the Public Health Agency of Canada through the AIDS Community Action Program (ACAP program) by \$2.5 million in 2007-08 and these cuts will be ongoing throughout Canada

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada has announced reductions to the funding to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) that supports the Federal Initiative on HIV/AIDS Research by \$10 million over a 5 year period

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT our Association calls upon the government of Canada to fulfill its obligations to the fight against AIDS by immediately restoring the AIDS Community Action Program (ACAP) funding to the levels announced in September 2006 and fully restore the funding to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research

AND FURTHER that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Federal Minister of Health, the Canadian AIDS Society and all its member organizations.

Adopted by Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (CANAC)

Date April 13, 2008

Passed unanimously