

## MOTION

No. 70

### **Calling on government to use a Childs' Rights Impact Assessment on all policy and legislative development**

Karla Bernard gives notice that she will move, seconded by Steve Howard, the following Motion:

**WHEREAS** children and youth under the age of 18 make up 20% of the Island's population;

**AND WHEREAS** they have no agency or voice at decision-making tables or through the vote;

**AND WHEREAS** the use of a Childs' Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) reduces harm to children;

**AND WHEREAS** decision-making processes designed for and by adults often ignore the impacts of policies on children, their rights, and their interests;

**AND WHEREAS** we should measure success by improvements in the daily lives of children;

**AND WHEREAS** CRIA is one tool in a toolbox for advancing children's rights which helps identify unintended consequences of policy decisions and raises awareness about impacts for children and children's rights;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Legislative Assembly urge government to develop and share a CRIA tool to be used in all policy and legislative development within government.

Signed by: Karla Bernard

Signed by: Steve Howard

Date: October 21, 2021