Motion to Declare a Position in Support of Freedom, Human Rights and Gender Equality in Iran (C-67) E-10, I-10

LONG TITLE	A CUSA Council Motion Respecting CUSA's Position in Support of Freedom, Human Rights and Gender Equality in Iran	DATE OF ENACTMENT	07 November 2022
		LAST AMENDED	
REFERENCE No.	E-10, I-10	NEXT REVIEW	30 May 2027
CATEGORY	Equity	COMPETENT CHAMBER	Council

TW: Gender Based Violence, Oppression, Violation of Human Rights, Loss of Life

Whereas, this Association supports freedom, human rights, and gender equality universally and wholeheartedly; therefore

Be it resolved, that the Association establishes itself as an organization in support of freedom, human rights, and gender equality in Iran.

Be it further resolved, that the below statement be posted on the CUSA website and Social Media as appropriate:

On Saturday 29th of October 2022, hundreds of Ottawa Iranians and their supporters joined hands in Ottawa as part of a series of human chain protests happening around the world in support of protesters in Iran risking their lives in the fight for gender equality and freedom.

The Carleton University Students' Association (CUSA) stands in solidarity with Iranians and allies who are calling for freedom, human rights and gender equality. Since the death of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini, a Kurdish woman who died in custody after she was arrested for allegedly wearing her hijab incorrectly, protests have erupted both in Iran and across the world against the regime. Iranian women's autonomy and choice are directly impacted by this horrific event, and their courage in speaking out against institutional oppression is an encouraging call to action for the international community. Iranian students at Carleton continue to be impacted unfairly in areas of academic, financial and mental health supports due to the instability in Iran. CUSA will be advocating for academic and tuition relief, as well as additional support for those students affected. The Carleton community stands in solidarity with our Iranian students, the brave protestors and to all those who have been affected by institutional oppression.

CUSA wholeheartedly commits and reaffirms in upholding gender equality, human rights, and freedom and will continue to support those who stand up for what is fundamentally right, further reaffirming CUSA's commitment for human rights and social justice.

Women. Life. Freedom.