

HALIFAX

Child Care Strategy

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would foster the development of the cognitive, emotional and social skills of our children; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would help improve the quality and skill level of the Nova Scotia labour force, because of the importance of the early years of children's development; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would increase the participation rate in the economy of our entire population, but especially for women in Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would boost our provincial birth rate and therefore our population; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would assist many parents improve their education, training, mobility and therefore their incomes; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would alleviate poverty across the province, by helping reduce the number of single parents on social assistance; and

WHEREAS a child care strategy for Nova Scotia would make Nova Scotia more attractive as a place to raise children, bringing back young Nova Scotians who had left the province and attracting new families to the province;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Nova Scotia Liberal Government immediately begin planning to implement a

universal, affordable, educational child care strategy for Nova Scotians.