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To: Student Achievement and Well Being, November 4, 2020
From: Norm Di Pasquale, Trustee Ward 9
Subject: Consideration of Motion – Regarding the Vatican for Laudato Si’ year

MOVED BY: Norm Di Pasquale, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: This year is recognized by the Vatican as the Year of Laudato Si’, in recognition of the fifth anniversary of Pope Francis’ environmental stewardship encyclical “On Caring for Our Common Home”;

WHEREAS: The Vatican has a full program of learning activities that schools can take part in during Laudato Si’ year;

WHEREAS: The Vatican plans to grant an award to the most outstanding Laudato Si’ school; and

WHEREAS: A climate emergency has been declared by Canada and the City of Toronto.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) explores activities planned by the Vatican for Laudato Si’ year and consider having our schools take part;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Staff consider awarding an annual Laudato Si’ School Award, for the school that best exemplifies care for our common home, and have that school be our formal application to the Vatican for their annual Laudato Si’ school award;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Staff explore encouraging schools to become an Eco School to achieve the goals of the Laudato Si’ encyclical; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Staff explore the Laudato Si' Action Network and consider expressing an interest in joining the Laudato Si' Action Network for Education.

Norm Di Pasquale, Trustee Ward 9