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To: Corporate Services Meeting, June 11, 2025

From: Ida Li Preti, Trustee Ward 3

Subject: Notice of Motion - Alignment of TCDSB Conflict of Interest Policy with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

MOVED BY: Ida Li Preti, Trustee Ward 3

WHEREAS: The Toronto Catholic District School Board's current Conflict of Interest Trustees Policy (T.01) contains a provision (Regulation 1.1) that deems the pecuniary interest of a sibling to be the pecuniary interest of a trustee;

WHEREAS: This provision significantly expands upon the scope of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50, which limits deemed pecuniary interests to a trustee's parent, spouse, or child;

WHEREAS: The inclusion of siblings under the deeming provision may create unnecessary or unintended disqualifications for trustees in matters where no conflict exists under provincial legislation;

WHEREAS: Consistency between Board policy and provincial legislation promotes clarity, accountability, and fairness in the application of conflict of interest rules;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The TCDSB Conflict of Interest Trustees Policy (T.01) be amended to remove the deeming provision in Regulation 1.1 that includes siblings, specifically by striking out the words:

"sibling or"

from the clause:

"the interest, direct or indirect, of the spouse of a Trustee, or of a parent, sibling or child of a Trustee or the spouse of any of them, shall, if known to the Trustee, be deemed to be also the interest of the Trustee;"

2. The revised policy language shall read:

"the interest, direct or indirect, of the spouse of a Trustee, or of a parent or child of a Trustee or the spouse of any of them, shall, if known to the Trustee, be deemed to be also the interest of the Trustee;"

3. That staff be directed to report back to the Governance and Policy Committee considerations for an amended Conflict of Interest Trustees Policy (T.01), including the proposed regulation change noted above.

Ida Li Preti Trustee, Ward 3