

**PARLIAMENTARY CONFEDERATION OF THE AMERICAS**  
**GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**Mar del Plata, ARGENTINA**  
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**General Resolution**

We, legislators of America gathered in Mar del Plata, Argentina, for the 10th General Assembly of the Parliamentary Confederation of the Americas,

**Considering** that the Confederation has worked hard to promote current democratic values, whose implicit objectives are rooted in justice, equality, political, economic and social democracy, the preservation of the environment, the furtherance of culture, education and distinct identities, and the promotion of health for each inhabitant of the Americas;

**Evoking** the ideals of the renowned men and women of our continent, who unceasingly endeavoured to make possible the creation of a more just and more sovereign region;

**Conscious** of the fact that this Assembly has provided an invaluable opportunity to share ideas, experiences and perspectives with a view to finding solutions to concerns in our region;

**Subscribing** to the ideals the Confederation has promoted over time, ever dedicated to fully respecting the sovereignty of its members, and motivated mainly by the progress of our peoples;

**Attentive** to the needs of our societies, which are legitimately requesting measures to maintain and enhance the common good;

**Reflecting** on the fact that the international context requires leadership characterized by a deeply rooted pluralism and an absolute rejection of an individualism that hinders regional progress;

**Using** the resources accessible to us to move our region to the forefront of politico-economic and socio-cultural integration;

**True** to the conviction that the union and inclusion in the Confederation of federal, provincial and local parliaments is the cornerstone of a solid, enriching diplomacy;

**Recognizing** that today, on account of interparliamentary integration, we possess a greater number of elements allowing us to analyze the experiences shared during this Assembly and adapt them to our local realities;

## **RESOLVE**

**To firmly** respect our commitment towards the Confederation;

**To continue** to promote the various agreements among those united in favour of the development of the parties that are members of that body, as well as those that are not members;

**To encourage** more congresses, parliaments and assemblies to join the Confederation, in order to devote more energy to the promotion of the values and ideals of the peoples of our continent;

**To recognize** that even if the situation in our countries and in the region as a whole has progressed considerably, challenges remain, requiring close monitoring and strict observance of the instruments specific to our countries and the region, as well as those used elsewhere, in order to make any necessary changes or adjustments;

**To consider** education as the primary engine for initiating and consolidating the emancipation of our societies. To that end, greater access to opportunities must be guaranteed, particularly for future generations;

**To make** our parliamentary colleagues aware that agreement can be reached only through dialogue and the constructive sharing of perspectives and experiences;

**To present** our continent as a land of consensus and progress; and, at the same time, to become a model of how to attain unity through interparliamentary diplomacy;

**To consolidate** the integration of our region based on democratic precepts and cross-cutting perspectives that satisfy current and emerging needs

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