

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

RE: THE MONTREAL MASSACRE MEMORIAL - DECEMBER 6th

December 6th marks the 31st anniversary of the Montreal Massacre. Each year, PSAC's Vancouver Island Regional Women's Committee (VIRWC) organizes a December 6th Memorial.

As union women, we are proud of our work to ensure we remember the 14 murdered women, raise awareness of violence against women and fundraise for organizations who provide safe havens for women and children in need of protection.

This year, we are collecting donations for the Victoria Transition House and the Victoria Sexual Assault Center. All monies raised will be divided between organizations.

We are asking you and your union to financially support women and children in our communities so they do not have to live in fear.

Each year unions generously donate; but this year we ask that your Local reach a little deeper.

COVID-19 has created financial stress on families and women have bore the economic brunt of job losses; 1.5 million Canadian women lost their jobs in the first 2 months of the pandemic. Providing financial support provides a way out of domestic violence.

PSAC BC Region and the VIRWC are holding a virtual event remembering the 14 women who were murdered during the Montreal Massacre on **Sunday, December 6, 2019 at 5:10 pm.** The day and time of the first murder. Please inform your members about the memorial.

Help us make our memorial a successful one to End Violence Against Women.

Please contact <u>nancysermons@gmail.com</u> regarding your donation.

With Deepest Respect In Solidarity,

Karolyn Jones

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On the 31st anniversary of the 1989 Montreal massacre and the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

End Violence Against Women Virtual Memorial SUNDAY DECEMBER 6TH, 2020 5:00 - 5:40 PM via ZOOM

This event is open to all. Please RSVP at www.psacbc.com/memorial Zoom coordinates will be sent out via email in advance of the event.



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PLEASE HELP US SUPPORT LOCAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS BY MAKING A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION.

Cheques can be made out to VIRWC and mailed to Victoria Regional Office, 210 - 1497 Admirals Road, Victoria BC V9A2P8

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