
PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

The petition of the Victoria and Vancouver Island Woman's Council humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners have learned that women are not eligible in this Province to become members of the Boards of School Trustees.

That your petitioners have learned that in many parts of the Dominion of Canada, of England and of the United States, efficient women have materially helped the Public Schools by occupying seats on the School Board of Trustees.

That your petitioners have learned that the sex most largely represented at our Public and High Schools is the female sex.

That your petitioners humbly think that the time has arrived when woman should be granted the privilege of her influence and voice in the education of her children.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Body will so amend the "School Act" as to allow women to become members of the School Board of Trustees.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Signed on behalf of twenty ladies' societies.

LOUISE BAKER,

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