



COMMISSION SCOLAIRE SIR-WILFRID-LAURIER
SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD

Special Council Highlights June 2, 2022

The Council adopted the following resolution:

Bill 96 WHEREAS *An Act respecting French, the official and common language of Québec* (Bill 96) was adopted on May 24, 2022;

CC-220602-CA-0116

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) has always proudly promoted *An English Education, A Bilingual Future*;

WHEREAS the members of the Council of Commissioners of the SWLSB are elected to represent their English school communities located in the Laval, Laurentides and Lanaudière regions;

WHEREAS the SWLSB is part of a legal action to declare Bill 40 unconstitutional due to its infringement of the English-speaking Community's rights to control and manage its educational institutions as per section 23 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;

WHEREAS the Council considers that parts of Bill 96 contravene the English-speaking community's rights to manage and control its educational institutions under section 23 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;

WHEREAS the Council does not believe that the Québec Government has acted in the best interest of Québec citizens, whether English-speaking or French-speaking, with the adoption of Bill 96;

WHEREAS the Council wishes to support Resolution no. 22-05-26-4 adopted by the English Montreal School Board with regard to its court challenge against Bill 96.

Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board support the English Montreal School Board's legal challenge in defence of English-speaking Quebecers' rights to control and manage our educational institutions under section 23 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

Carried unanimously

