

## **Resolution of CAEFS: Sexual Exploitation, Prostitution and Trafficking May 2008**

**Issue areas addressed by resolution:** Reduction in the Criminalization of Women; Working to End Violence Against Women; Gendering Criminal Justice Responses to Promote Women's Substantive Equality

**Resolution:**

**Be it resolved that CAEFS join other women's groups and equality-seeking groups of women with lived experience in calling for the decriminalization of women who are prostituted, trafficked or otherwise exploited or objectified in and by the sex trade; and**

**Be it further resolved that all women are entitled to basic human rights to freedom from want, including adequate standards of living (either through social assistance or a guaranteed liveable income), and the provision of social services, health services and educational options; and**

**Be it further resolved that CAEFS continue to denounce as criminal the actions of those who promote and profit from the trafficking and sexual exploitation of women and children.**