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IFHE

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Resolution

Global Wellbeing

WHEREAS IFHE

- reaffirms the ultimate goal of the IFHE is the improvement of the quality of everyday life for individuals, families and households, and
- underlines the 2011 IFHE Position Statements on the United Nations (UN) Millennium Development Goals, and
- is concerned at the lack of progress in eradication of poverty and hunger, which affects billions of families and most of all children who live in extreme poverty and are undernourished.
- acknowledges the global financial crisis which threatens household incomes thereby reducing gains in gender equity, housing improvement, education of girls and progress in nutritional status, and
- is concerned that armed conflict around the globe prevents progress in ensuring food security, gender equity and sustainable living.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that IFHE members and allied supporters in fostering policies and strategies for global improvement of individual, family and community wellbeing undertake to:

- advocate for families demanding the world community at all levels to increase their efforts to reach the UN MDGs and ensure stable social, political and economic structures;
- identify and better understand the scale and nature of poverty and exclusion affecting children and women in an increasingly urban society and improve social security;
- promote education to close differences in access to economic opportunities between women and men and the ensuing earnings and productivity gaps, and to ensure the financial sustainability of families and households;
- empower households and families to manage their resources sustainably, in particular to ensure the optimal nutritional status and health of all its members;
- encourage values within families and households which ensure the safety of all members, particularly women and girls who may be subject to violence and exclusion.

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