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To: All Parish Presidents, Resolutions Chairpersons
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*This is what we are about: We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold **future promise**.* [attributed to Archbishop Oscar Romero]-

Introduction

It is with great expectations and not a little trepidation that I follow in the footsteps of Rebecca McCarrell who worked so hard with committees to plant and water seeds for the future promise Oscar Romero, our chosen Blessed speaks about. This Convention was an invigorating, holy time as we passed two Resolutions: 1. Equal Access for Permanent Residence, an Amendment to the Immigration Act 2. Preborn Victims of Crime Act. With God's help and your initiative I hope to be able also to be a "planter" in my new chair of Resolutions.

In **Catch the Fire workshops** we learned that becoming a member of the CWL was the spark to light the fire. As a fire burns we all know that the heat grows. This Heat is Resolutions. Resolutions are "hot". They are an important part of what our group is about. I am willing to help, in whatever way I'm needed, anyone or any group which sees a need to be met through a Resolution.

Future Promise

I can see the need for a resolution to protect physicians who do not wish to be involved, whose conscience obliges them not to participate in any way in the Physician Assisted Death legislation.

I was also talking with my niece who is a Registered Nurse about the support of first responders who suffer PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder) being extended to nurses suffering from this same illness.

At this time of planting who will help to "plant seeds" in the form of Resolutions?

Blessings and have a fruitful spring and summer,

Mary Bannon