



**III ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
NETWORK OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE AMERICAS**

DECLARATION ON THE WOMEN NON-VIOLENCE DAY

The Network of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas, on November 25, 2002, International Women Non-Violence Day, hereby declares:

1. Its firm decision to continue struggling against all forms of discrimination and violence toward women anywhere worldwide;
2. The need to ensure and grant women legal security, while working fervently to enforce the constitutional precepts, treaties, agreements and laws currently in force, that look after, protect and promote women's human rights and seek gender equity, as well as to promote laws to prevent, penalize and eradicate violence against women;
3. Solidarity with all women who suffer or are being victims of violence, while waiting patiently for the silence to break.

*Declaration read at the General Assembly of COPA
Ixtapan de la Sal, Mexico, November 25, 2002*