



## **Resolution No. 11 – 03**

### **Unexecuted DNA Orders**

**WHEREAS** DNA Analysis is an invaluable tool in the investigation and prosecution of criminal offences, as well as the protection of society and the exoneration of the innocent; and,

**WHEREAS** the DNA Identification Act became law on June 30, 2000; and,

**WHEREAS** peace officers are responsible for executing DNA Orders issued by the courts “To Have Bodily Substances Taken”; and,

**WHEREAS** there continue to be a number of legislative gaps in the processes related to DNA Orders and there are hundreds of outstanding DNA Orders across the country that have not been executed, potentially posing a serious threat to public safety.

#### **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

The Alberta Association of Chiefs of Police urges the Federal Government of Canada to move forward with amendments to the Criminal Code to provide that:

- DNA Orders are valid until executed; and,
- Unexecuted DNA Orders may be executed anywhere in Canada.