



# Election to the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent

#### **Declaration of candidacy**

I, the undersigned,	George B. Weber
	ndidature for the election of members of the Standing Commission by Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in 2019.
	am a member of the National Red Cross / Red Crescent Society of
The Canadian Red Ci	oss Society
Statutes of the Internathat I satisfy the criteri	e functions assigned to the Standing Commission by Article 18 of the tional Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement ("Movement"). I confirm a established in the "Profile for Candidates for Election to the Standing d in 1995 by the Movement's Council of Delegates.
Furthermore I declare	that I have not been:
<ul> <li>the subject of a copenalty which wou</li> <li>sanctioned by any of violations of an the display of Principles;</li> <li>fraudulent or confidence of a failure to declar sanctioned for the discrimination or him involved in any may otherwise risk the resolution.</li> </ul>	ajor dispute or controversy in or outside the Movement that would reputation or standing of the Movement.  pace below any relevant information you deem necessary in respect





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If elected, I am committed to serve in my personal capacity and in the sole interest of the Movement, and to work towards its humanitarian mission, ideals and goals, being guided at all times by the Fundamental Principles of the Movement.

Place and date: Ottawa, September 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

Signature:

#### Candidate motivation

The primary motivation for my candidacy is my ongoing commitment to the mission and mandate of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and in particular to the Fundamental Principles and the values they represent. These Principles align with my own personal values including a deep respect for diversity and inclusion and have been a source of inspiration for working as a volunteer and staff member with all the components of the Movement. Over the past decades I have spent the majority of my time and energy working within the Movement, beginning first as a youth volunteer and then as a staff member (eventually becoming the Secretary-General/CEO) with my National Society, the Canadian Red Cross. Subsequently, I worked as a field delegate in operations around the world eventually taking up the role as the Secretary-General/CEO of the IFRC. To this day, I have continued as a volunteer with my National Society and with the IFRC serving first as the Vice-Chair and then as Chair of the Compliance and Mediation Committee. I was elected to the Standing Commission in 2015 and became its Vice-Chair for 18 months, taking over as Chair when the previous incumbent resigned.

In a world with increasing volatility, complexity and uncertainty, the Movement remains a global asset providing much needed assistance to people affected by crisis. My prior experience has given me intricate knowledge of the breadth of work the Movement engages in and the unique ways in which each component contributes, reinforcing the vital importance of strong collaboration and coordination between all actors. In particular, while there have been steady improvements in the way the Council of Delegates and International Conferences have functioned and the policies and tools that have been developed as a consequence, there is still room for major enhancements to harness the power of the Movement to release more of its untapped potential.

I believe the role of the Standing Commission is vital to the overall work for our Movement.

My continued focus will be to maximize the impact of the International Conference by leveraging knowledge and experience to meet emerging needs and challenges. My experience has shown that our Movement is most effective when we come together, representative of all the people we serve. Looking to the challenges ahead, we will need to be at our best, engaging diverse capacities, perspectives and opinions to address the urgent issues facing our world.

I am committed to pushing for change and creating a safe place where we can openly discuss the most pressing humanitarian issues. This includes the essential dialogue between the Movement and States that helps shape our shared humanitarian agenda, and our work within the Movement to ensure integrity, gender equality and social inclusion.

Throughout my work as a proven and experienced leader, I have aimed to promote and improve the harmony and unity between all of the Movement's components while at the same time pushing to improve our collective efficiency and effectiveness to do better.

### **Curriculum Vitae**



Insert or attach photograph

Personal Details		
FAMILY NAME & TITLE:	Weber, Mr.	
FIRST NAME(S):	George	
GENDER:	Male	
NATIONALITY(-IES):	Canadian	
DATE OF BIRTH:	18/04/46	
MEMBER OF: (Name of National Society) (Please provide confirmation of your membership)	The Canadian Red Cross Society	
PRESENT FUNCTION(S) IN THE MOVEMENT AND/OR THE NATIONAL SOCIETY:	Chair , Standing Commission of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent, Honorary Vice-Chair of the Canadian Red Cross Society Secretary-General Emeritus , International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	
PRESENT FUNCTION(S) OUTSIDE THE MOVEMENT: (when applicable)	President/CEO of WebEx Consulting Ltd and Chair or member of a number of for profit or not-for profit Boards of Directors	

# My domestic and international experience with the Red Cross and Red Crescent

(including professional and volunteering activities in the National Society of origin and other components and bodies of the Movement, as well as special achievements at a national and international level)

**Year** start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)

Domestic	
2000-current	Volunteer Advisor to the Canadian Red Cross Society's ( CRCS) President CEO
1992-current	Honorary Vice-Chair , CRCS
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1983-92	Secretary-General/CEO, CRCS
1981-83	National Director of Programs, CRCS
1976-81	National Director of International Affairs ,CRCS
1969-73	Member, Board of Governors, Quebec Division , CRCS
1960's	Over a ten-year period, served in various volunteer capacities either in Red Cross
	Youth or the CRCS's Water Safety Service
International	
2017-2019	Chair, Standing Commission, International RC/RC Movement
2015-2017	Vice-Chair, Standing Commission, International RC/RC Movement
2009-2015	Chair, Compliance and Mediation Committee , IFRC
2014-2015	Member of the IFRC Constitution Review Working Group
2007-2009	Vice-Chair , Compliance and Mediation Committee, IFRC
1999-onwards	Appointed Secretary-General Emeritus, IFRC
1992-1999	Secretary-General/CEO , IFRC
1988-89	Chair, IFRC (then League) Committee on Operational Procedures
1983-89	Vice-Chair, IFRC (then League) Relief Advisory Committee
1983-86	Member of the Commission on Red Cross and Peace (a Council of Delegates Body)
1974-1976	Relief Officer/Chief Delegate IFRC (then League)
1974	Field Delegate in Vietnam, Indochina Operational Group (Joint ICRC/IFRC Operation)
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1973	Member of the CRCS Delegation to Vietnam as decided under the "Paris Peace Agreement"
	Over the last few decades I have attended and participated in nearly every International Conference, Council of Delegates or IFRC General Assembly and many regional meetings either as a member or leader of the CRCS/IFRC or Standing Commission (SC) delegation. I have travelled on Red Cross/Red Crescent missions to over 140 countries on behalf of the CRCS/IFRC or the SC lasting for a few days to up to 8 months representing, negotiating or mediating on behalf of the sending organization.

#### Other experience and achievements

(any other relevant functions, roles or special achievements outside of the Movement)

Year start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)

2000-	Over the last number of years, I have led large National organizations as a CEO mainly in the health field and have also chaired or been a member of numerous forprofit or not for profit Boards of Directors .
2013	Henry Davison Award, IFRC
2009	Companion , Order of the Red Cross, CRCS
1989-2003	Awarded a number of State (including Canada) and Red Cross/Red Crescent distinctions/honorary memberships from 22 different countries





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#### **Working languages of the Standing Commission** (Specify the level) **ENGLISH** $\boxtimes$ mother tongue $\Box$ fluent $\square$ working knowledge **FRENCH** $\square$ mother tongue ⊠fluent $\square$ working knowledge **SPANISH** ☐ mother tongue ⊠fluent □working knowledge ARABIC ☐ mother tongue □fluent □working knowledge

	Education
	(academic, professional or social diploma(s) and distinctions)
Year	Start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
2015	Audit Committee Certified
	Directors College/McMaster University, Hamilton Canada
2008	Certified Director, ICD.D
	Institute of Corporate Directors, Toronto , Canada
1998	International Program for Board Members
	Institute of Management Development, Lausanne, Switzerland
1991	Certified Association Executive
	Canadian Society of Association Executives, Toronto Canada
1989	Advanced Management Program
	Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Boston , USA
1974	Master of Arts
	McGill University, Montreal Canada
1970	Bachelor of Education
	McGill University, Montreal, Canada

I confirm the accuracy of all of the information that I have submitted, and statements that I have made, in this Nomination Form.

Place and date: Ottawa Sept 25th/2019

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