

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE MINISTRY WITH THE HISPANIC/LATINO POPULATION A PRIORITY AND TO CREATE A COMMITTEE ON HISPANIC/LATINO MINISTRIES

Whereas, The Hispanic/Latino population is estimated to be between 300,000-500,000 in South Carolina and continues to grow dramatically; and

Whereas, The South Carolina Annual Conference is committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ regardless of age, nationality, or race; and

Whereas, Up until recently Hispanic/Latino ministries has been administered by a Task Force limited in scope and function and not suited to the call of the growing ministry need to the Hispanic/Latino population; and

Whereas, The strategy of our Annual Conference needs to be more clearly defined, accountable and responsive to the growing needs of Hispanic/Latino population; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the South Carolina Annual Conference will make ministry with the Hispanic/Latino population a priority; and be it further

Resolved, That in order to establish this priority a standing committee shall be created within the Conference Council on Connectional Ministries; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee will be responsible for designing and implementing a strategy for the South Carolina Annual Conference and shall report back to the Annual Conference in 2008 with a comprehensive strategy; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee will be composed of twelve members elected by the Annual Conference; that at least three members shall be current members of the existing Hispanic/Latino Task Force; that there will be five ex-officio members, one each from the Board of Ordained Ministry, Congregational Development, and Equitable Compensation and two from the Cabinet, and that this committee shall replace the current Hispanic/Latino Task Force; and be it further

Resolved, That in order to establish the Committee immediately, the Bishop shall name the members of the committee for the remainder of this quadrennium.

The Extended Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference