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## RESOLUTION ON THE RESPONSE TO THE FLOOD ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, the States of the Mississippi Basin region have suffered unprecedented loss and devastation as a result of the floods of 1993; and

WHEREAS, thousands of people have experienced the loss of their homes, businesses, farms and jobs or have been adversely affected by flooding throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the reconstruction and rebuilding of communities and lives affected by the floods will be long-term after immediate, emergency needs are met; and

WHEREAS, the church is called to meet such devastating loss with compassionate prayer, immediate emergency relief and a deep, long-term commitment to assist the people of the region to rebuild their lives and communities; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that all parts of the church work together to achieve a timely, sustained relief effort;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, July 15-20, 1993, express its deep and loving concern to all our sisters and brothers who are affected by the flood of 1993; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the General Assembly call upon our Week of Compassion office to provide a compassionate and appropriate response to the affected congregations and individuals, working with our Regional Ministers in the affected areas, Church World Service, the United Church of Christ and other partner entities; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that members and congregations of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) be urged to send their generous offerings for the relief of the flood victims and the work of rebuilding and rehabilitation to the Week of Compassion office.