

No. 9129

(Operational Business Item)

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGN REGARDING DESIGNATING
UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

WHEREAS, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has always encouraged the active involvement of its college students in the life and work of the whole church; and

WHEREAS, college students today are expressing a revived interest in the Gospel and the witness of the church, resulting in a resurgence of student Christian movements in many Protestant denominations, including an emerging Disciples/United Church of Christ student organization; and

WHEREAS, many Disciples students, because of geographical and other separations from their home congregations during their college years, participate in the church's life and work through campus ministries, many of which are ecumenical in program and structure, instead of through local congregations at this formative time in their lives, and as such are outside the normal selection processes for representatives to the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, it is important to those students and the church that they be active and informed participants in the total life and work of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 25-30, 1991, recognize and applaud the contributions of its college students and its campus ministries to the life and work of the whole church; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this General Assembly encourage further participation by its college student members in the life of the church by amending *The Design* for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Section III, subsection A, paragraph 11 (b) by adding the following:

In addition, each region shall be entitled to one voting representative, who must be an undergraduate college student at the time of election, plus one additional such student voting representative for every 20,000 participating members or major fraction thereof in excess of 20,000 members within the region.