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RESOLUTION CONCERNING IDENTITY

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, we of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) believe in Christ, the Son of the Living God, as our Saviour and the center of our faith experience; and

WHEREAS, we treasure the Bible as a witness to the mighty acts of God and believe that scripture should be used rationally, appropriately and with humility for enlightenment and direction; and

WHEREAS, we are heirs of the ancient covenant and debtors to the church throughout history and are committed to the oneness of the people of God even while celebrating our unique heritage; and

WHEREAS, we prize freedom and rich diversity as we pursue our task as learners, discovering and defining our beliefs within the context of a committed community of faith; and

WHEREAS, we witness to the focus of Jesus' ministry, which is loving God, loving neighbor as one's self, and serving all persons in Christ's name;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana July 28 - August 2, 1989, reaffirm, claim, and celebrate the heritage of tolerance and unity in diversity, which are precious to us.