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**A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGN
FOR THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

Persons who have served as Moderator or Vice Moderator of the General Assembly continue to provide leadership for the church which has been uniquely enhanced by their service to the General Assembly. Their presence and active participation as voting members in assemblies after their tenure is desirable and needed. Those who are clergy with standing automatically have that opportunity, but lay persons must be so designated by their congregation or region. If they are so designated, other persons also deserving of the experience may be deprived. If they are not so designated, the General Assembly is deprived of their participation as voting members.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly meeting in San Antonio, Texas, September 23-28, 1983, amend The Design for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) by adding to paragraph 11, which lists those who have voting privileges in the General Assembly, a sub-section (f), to read: "Former Moderators and Vice Moderators of the General Assembly not otherwise voting members."