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To Establish a CNH Disaster Response Committee

4 5 Rationale:

When it comes to disasters it is not a matter of if, but when. While it is not possible to 6 know the details of any given disaster aforehand, there are certain general preparations 7 which can be initiated. 8

- 9 Our LORD, Jesus, the Christ, has commissioned us to bring Good News to this fallen
- 10 creation (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 20:21-23; Acts 1:8). When
- words are accompanied by actions (Micah 6:8; James 1:23, 27; 2:8, 15-16, 18, 22, 26; 11
- 12 3:13, 17; Galatians 5:13) they become an effective means by which the Holy Spirit can
- bring Good News to those in need of hearing it. 13
- Our Synodical motto is "Witness, Mercy, Life Together." When a disaster strikes an 14
- individual or community all three are needed. We give witness to the One whom we call 15
- 16 LORD as we show God's mercy to the survivors and our lives are joined together in
- showing that mercy through the Christian actions Jesus, the Christ, describes in 17
- 18 Matthew 25: 35-40.
- 19 Ecclesiastes 4:12 provides us with the image of how valuable it is to find ways to
- 20 multiply our resources by working together. This is true especially when it comes to 21 disaster response as disasters impact all in a community.
- 22 A District Disaster Response Committee would not only streamline the CNH District's
- 23 response for assistance and grants but would also allow the CNH District to cover
- 24 nominal costs for the Committee. The responsibilities of this Committee can be
- 25 developed by the initial Committee with assistance and support from the CNH District
- President and/or staff. 26
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28 **Resolution:**

- 29 Whereas, with respect to both man-made and natural disasters it's not a matter of if but 30 when; and
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- 32 Whereas, it is not possible to know the details of any given disaster aforehand but there
- are certain general preparations which can be initiated; therefore be it 33
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- Resolved, that the CNH District in convention establish a Disaster Response Committee 35 as a Mandated Committee of the CNH District. 36
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