# **Title of Resolution**

Date *(ex. December 5, 2022)*

**A proposed resolution from:**

Full name of conference, congregation, or constituency group presenting the resolution

Street address

City, State, Zip code

Full name of primary contact person(s) submitting the resolution

Email address

Phone number

Congregation

Conference

**Introduction**

The introduction should address the purpose of the resolution and the reason we need to discern this before the delegate body.

This resolution is an organizational resolution or a church statement resolution. *(Choose one.)*

This proposal addresses the following in Mennonite Church USA: *(Please explain.)*

If it is an **organizational resolution:**

What policies, procedures, or legal documents of MC USA does the resolution create or append?

If it is a **church statement resolution**:

How will discerning this statement enable us to join God’s activities in the world as ambassadors of Christ?

How will discerning this statement enable us to live and act in ways that allow God’s healing and hope to flow through us to the world?

How will discerning this statement advance our Vision: Healing and Hope, our stated purpose, and the Renewed Commitments that guide us toward God’s preferred future for us? (See [this page](https://www.mennoniteusa.org/who-are-mennonites/what-we-believe/) for reference.)

**Resolution**

# The resolution statement is a concise statement of the specific action(s) to be taken and who is responsible for executing those actions. Our denomination consists of the following entities: the Executive Board & staff, churchwide program agencies & ministry partners, the area conference, and local congregations. Churchwide statements are not binding on congregations or area conferences.

# **Churchwide Impact Statement**

The impact statement should address the current policies or programs related to the resolution.

What does the resolution address in MC USA, or what issue is it trying to invite further discernment on? *(Please explain.)*

What MC USA current bylaws, policies, documents, or programs are related to the subject of the resolution, and what is the impact of the resolution on each one? *(Please explain.)*

What are the proposed changes, and which entities of MC USA are responsible for executing the actions? *(Please explain.)*

What is the potential downside of this proposal? It is important to consider this change’s negative or unintended consequences. Will this change disenfranchise or cause harm to any part of the constituency?

**Implementation**

How will this be rolled out to the denomination, and what is the timeline for implementation? Be sure to outline a clear process for executing these changes throughout MC USA as applicable.

**Budget Estimate**

**The budget estimate lists the financial costs of implementing the resolution and plans for how the action will be financially supported. *(Feel free to use a table or import an Excel sheet.)***

**Resource Page**

The resource page lists resources and educational material to aid the study and discernment of the resolution.

**Optional: List Additional Sponsors/Sponsoring Organizations**

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