## **RESOLUTION 2023.04**

Title Courtesies

Mover Reference and Counsel

WHEREAS as the Father has sent Jesus, so Jesus sends us; therefore be it

RESOLVED that we give thanks to the voting members, rostered ministers, laity and youth, as they have taken time from busy schedules to come together to do the business of the church, worship, learn, and fellowship; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the Assembly Committees be recognized for their tireless efforts in organizing, planning and presenting the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the Assistants to the Bishop Pastor Ken Sandlin, Pastor Maureen Stein, Pastor Ken Tegtmeier, Director of Evangelical Missions, Pastor Elise Rothfusz, and synod support staff, Bookkeeper, Jennie Ruth, Office Manager/Assembly Coordinator, Laura Lee, and Dir. of Communications, Michael Horn, be recognized for all their efforts in supplying the Assembly and our synod with material and information; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the Synod Council officers, Vice President, Ms. Carey Mayer, Secretary, Pastor Christine McNeal, Treasurer, Mr. Steve Mitze, and our Parliamentarian, Mr. Dan Simmons be recognized for their service, leadership, and guidance during the synod assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED that Mary Corkery, Mr. Larry Gibson, and Mr. Norm Knicl, staff assistants, be recognized for their ongoing support and steadfast faithfulness; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the Northern Conference members, and Acting Dean, Pastor John Rothfusz, and the Northwest Conference members, and Dean, Pastor Rick Hertenstein be thanked for their gracious work of hosting and assistance with the planning of the Assembly; and, be it further

RESOLVED that we are thankful to our Ecumenical Partners, Rev. Elissa Bailey, Rev. Molly Carlson, The Right Rev. Bishop Brian Burgess, and Bishop Frank Beard, for inspiring messages with gracious proclamation of the Gospel, and, be it further

RESOLVED that we thank Ms. Victoria Flood of the ELCA for her guidance and patience in leading us through the Bishop's election process, and contributing to the spirit of the Assembly and, be it further

RESOLVED that all the Conference Deans, Pastors John Rothfusz, Greg Busboom, Rick Hertenstein, Marlin Otte, Pete Hinrich, and Amy Ziettlow, are to be thanked for their leadership service, and encouragement in presenting a variety of opportunities for ministry; and, be it further

RESOLVED that we give thanks to Ms. Pat Caley and her daughter, Allison Stachera, for time in organizing and overseeing the Fair Trade Fair; and all those committees and organizations that prepared a display for the assembly, and be it further

- RESOLVED that the Synod Council, Synod Committees, and all those who volunteered their time, energies, and talents toward the work of our synod receive the Assembly's appreciation for their dedication to the ministry of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod; and, be it further
- RESOLVED that we give thanks for the ELCA and its partnership ministry which allows us to carry out Christ's command to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...."; and, be it further
- RESOLVED that thanks be given to those Synod Council and Synod Committee members whose terms end this year but who have accompanied the work of our synod living the mission: *God's Work. Our Hands.* through their years of dedicated service; and, be it further
- RESOLVED that Bishop S. John Roth receive our appreciation and thanks for his leadership the past twelve years in our synod, and that we continue to pray for him into his retirement and beyond into his next chapter of service; and, be it further
- RESOLVED that our newly elected Bishop will receive our appreciation for leadership and guidance in our synod, and that we hold the Bishop elect in prayer for strength, health, wisdom, and courage.