

RESOLUTION ON SALE OF THE NEW MEXICO ANNUAL CONFERENCE OFFICE

Submitted by the Board of Trustees and the Council on Finance and Administration

Whereas, we are called to be good stewards of the resources God has given us;

Whereas, the New Mexico Annual Conference strives to maintain a lean administrative budget to maximize funding for mission and ministry;

Whereas, the building that houses the New Mexico Annual Conference office is over fifty years old and in need of costly repair including the roof and the HVAC system;

Whereas, the New Mexico Annual Conference office is too large for current conference operations with twenty-two office suites, of which six are utilized by full-time staff and two by part-time staff, and there is viable office space for New Mexico Annual Conference office needs available elsewhere;

Whereas, a task force worked to determine viable options for the New Mexico Annual Conference office space and results were presented to Bishop Carlo A. Rapanut and the Cabinet;

Whereas, Bishop Carlo A. Rapanut and the Cabinet, with the support of the Board of Trustees and the Council on Finance and Administration, have recommended the sale of the New Mexico Annual Conference building;

Whereas, paragraph 2515 of the 2020/2024 United Methodist Book of Discipline states conference property may be sold by majority action of the body of the annual conference.

Therefore, be it resolved, the Board of Trustees will pursue the sale of the New Mexico Conference office property located at 11816 Lomas Boulevard NE, Albuquerque in accordance with paragraph 2512, *Conference Trustees*, of the Discipline and all applicable laws and statutes of the State of New Mexico.

Be it further resolved, any funds received from the sale of the New Mexico Annual Conference office will be under the purview of the Board of Trustees to be utilized for office transition or invested for missional needs of the New Mexico Annual Conference, as may be determined.

Be it further resolved, the Board of Trustees, the Council on Finance and Administration, the conference archivist, Bishop Carlo A. Rapanut, and the Cabinet will collaborate to pursue rental of office space appropriate for the needs of Annual Conference, our ministries, and mission into the future.