



**Free Methodist Church USA
39th General Conference
RESOLUTION**

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Resolution No. 422

Received Date: 1/2/2023

Resolution Committee Grade: A

BOA Consideration: _____

GC Consideration: _____

RELATED TO PARAGRAPH: ¶4110 (B)(2)

Referred to Ministry Team Number:

SUBJECT OR TITLE: Bishop Search Committee clarification

Final Vote:

Yes

No

WHEREAS:

- The FMC was founded on the principle of the equality of all people
- The need for diversity and equity within FMCUSA as it pertains to age, gender, region, race, ethnicity, or socio-economic standing
- The FMCUSA has an opportunity to further its mission and vision of loving people, making disciples and furthering growth to ethnically and racially underrepresented populations via diverse search committee representation

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:

- To revise the last two sentences to the following: “ *The Search Committee, with a maximum inclusion of one representative per conference, must include at least one lay and one clergy member of the Board of Administration and must include ethnic, racial, gender, cultural, age, and geographical representation.*”

Annual Conference Resolutions Committee Worksheet:

Mission: To love God, love people and make disciples.

Vision: To bring wholeness to the world through healthy biblical communities of holy people multiplying disciples, leaders, groups and churches.

1. Does the resolution have a direct relationship to the vision and mission of the Free Methodist Church?

Yes

No

2. How will the proposed change help us accomplish our vision and mission?

3. The Resolutions Committee rates this resolution as:

(A) Support - recommend adoption

(B) Recommended - worthy of review

(C) Rejected - anticipate General Conference rejection

Other Comments: