Report of the General Resolution 34th Session of the General Assembly Liberia Council of Churches

Whereas,

The Liberia Council of Churches convened on Thursday and Friday, June 29-30, 2023 at the Georgia Pattern Memorial United Methodist Church, LAC and deliberated on the Theme: Promoting National Peace and Unity: An Imperative for Sustainable Growth and Development taken from the texts, psalm 133:1; John 17:21.

Whereas,

The Assembly was presided over by the Rev. Dr. Samuel B. Reeves, Jr. President, Liberia Council of Churches and ably assisted by His able lieutenants, in persons of Bishop Samuel J. Quire, Jr., first Vice president of the Council and Moderator Sanjee Steper, 2nd vice president of the council, with the General Secretary and staff providing all the support;

Whereas, The Assembly also highlighted the launch ceremonies of Bishop Arthur F. Kulah Justice, Peace and Reconciliation Lecture Series and the Bishop George D. Browne Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame granted awards to Bishop Arthur F. Kulah, Hon. Olubanke King Akerele, H.E. Michael McCarthy and Elder Eddie Y. Deputie by the Cllr. Frank Musah Dean, Atorney General, Republic of Liberia. The Assembly also welcome presentation from Mr. Adama Dempster of the CSO Human Rights Advocacy Platform on the topic : "Promoting Non-violent approach in electioneering". The Council acknowledge the keynote message from Cllr. Jamesetta Wollokolie, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and statement captured observance of the rule of law, justice that support a free, fair and transparent election process;

Whereas, the general assembly received reports from the president that capture declaration neutrality and objectivity, partnership with government, promotion of freedom of speech, advocacy against insecurity and evil in society, alleviation of poverty among others And Whereas, reports were made by the general secretary, the treasurer, the constitutional revision committee, and other reporting committee, detailing successes, challenges and proposals for improvements;

Now therefore the Liberia Council of Churches, sitting its 34th Session resolved as follows:

FINANCIAL VIABILITY:

- That for the financial viability and for effective and efficient ministry, the budget submitted by the treasurer in the tune of US\$319,330 for the fiscal period be adopted in consistent with all the corrections made thereto;
- 2. That yearly due be paid monthly;

CONSTITUTION:

- 3. That this GA adopts the revised version of the constitution of the LCC corrected and voted on by the delegates as follow:
 - a. Tenure be changed from 2 years in total to 3 years for Elected officers (president, 1st & 2nd vice presidents for each tenure and the tenure for General Secretary from 4 years to 5 years
 - b. That general conference be held after every two years
 - c. That the Ecumenical Women auxiliary become an arm of the LCC and no longer a fraternal organization
- 4. That delinquent members shall be punished after 2 years as followed:
 - a. Status of full members shall be dropped to associate membership
 - b. Status of associate members shall be dropped to probation members
- That this 34th Session ENDORSE THE RECOMMENDATION BY COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY REPORT (SEE REPORT)
- 6. That we commit ourselves to neutrality and will work with all concerned to ensure the conduct of free, fair and transparent election of October 2023

GRATITUDE

- 1. That a special thanks be given the host denomination (The United Methodist Church) and venue church (Georgia Patten UMC) for ably providing us with sumptuous food and facility.
- 2. That a very special thanks and appreciation be given our leadership
- 3. That a special thank you letter of appreciation be written to all our participants who provided lectures and sermons.

Respectfully done on this second and final day, June 30, AD 2023 of the sitting of 34th session of General Assembly of the Liberia Council of Churches.

Resolution Committee:

Rev. J. Joel Gould Rev. Dwede Townsend Rev. Augustus O. Morlu