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Friends,

Enclosed in this mailing you will find a copy of a resolution (Seeking Support for Universal Health Care/Universal Health Care Coverage in CT) to be offered at the fall Connecticut Conference Annual Meeting, October 19-20. It has been proposed by First Church of Christ in Mansfield, Congregational, for the conference's consideration. The conference Resolution Committee has met with the proponents and reviewed the resolution, finding that it has conformed to the provisions of the 2007 Resolution Primer. The Resolution Committee therefore is forwarding the text to the churches of the conference in order that congregations and delegates may consider the resolution in advance of the conference's fall meeting.

As many of you know, the issue of health care for all has been a topic of public discussion this spring. As the Connecticut legislature has debated the issue, there has been more publicity than usual about the crisis in health care in the state. It is a timely topic.

To help you and your congregation prepare for the discussion of this important issue, you may want to refer to the conference website for links to other sites that can provide information about the healthcare issue in Connecticut. We encourage you to involve members of your congregation in the conversation – the discussion at the Annual Meeting will benefit a great deal from broad participation.

As in other years, there will be a hearing scheduled on Friday afternoon for the purpose of discussing this resolution. Proponents of the resolution will present their perspective and be ready to hear your contributions. The resolution will proceed to the floor of the annual meeting on Saturday. Amendments may be offered at that time.

No other resolution was forwarded to the Resolutions Committee before the May 1 deadline. You will recall, however, that provision is made in the 2007 Resolution Primer for resolutions of an urgent nature to be brought forward if the concern could not have been apparent before the May deadline. In that case, the Resolutions Committee will meet at the beginning of Annual Meeting to determine how the resolution may proceed.

In service to the churches of the Connecticut Conference, UCC,
Resolutions Committee