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RESOLUTION: LIBERATION THEOLOGY

WHEREAS, Liberation theology claims that its foundation is in the prophesy and psalmody of the Old Testament, and comes to full expression in the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, Liberation theology claims that it is a Christian response to the needs of the poor, the oppressed, and the displaced peoples of the world; and

WHEREAS, Christians are continuously called to find means of relating to the poor, the oppressed, and the displaced of our world; and

WHEREAS, The catholicity of the Christian Church demands that we listen to the voices of our brothers and sisters in the developing countries whose faith is expressed in the theology of liberation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the delegates to the 120th Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Conference of the United Church of Christ, call upon the churches and seminaries of the Connecticut Conference to study the subject of liberation theology and its Biblical theology with the objective of learning more about the needs of the poor and oppressed peoples of the world, the economic relations between the poor and the wealthy, and the role of multinational corporations in the Third World; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we direct the Department of Church and Society to study the subject of liberation theology and to report to the 121st Annual Meeting as an "Order of the Day."