RESOLUTION: HISPANIC MINISTRY MONTH

WHEREAS, Scripture commands us to spread the Gospel, to establish churches, and to "go forth and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:16); and

WHEREAS, Christ commands us to help our neighbors (Luke 10:37); and

WHEREAS, The United Church of Christ has expressed strong commitment to Hispanic Ministry since the 14th General Synod of the United Church of Christ in 1973 which created the Council for Racial and Ethnic Ministries, in which the Council for Hispanic Ministries is represented; and

WHEREAS, The United Church of Christ celebrates the unity and diversity of God's creation as conveyed in the motto "That they may all be one"

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the delegates to the 131st Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Conference of the United Church of Christ, encourage regions, associations, and local churches to recognize and celebrate October as Hispanic Ministry Month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we encourage regions, associations and local churches to seek new ways to support Hispanic Ministry in Connecticut; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we encourage local churches to educate their congregations about Hispanic Christianity's culture and traditions, and to share fellowship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we encourage the Church Development Committee of the Board of Directors to give particular emphasis to Hispanic Ministry in Connecticut; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon the regional ministry teams to develop educational and worship resources on Hispanic Ministry for Congregational use.