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RESOLUTION CONCERNING GUN CONTROL

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, the current practices of manufacturing and indiscriminate marketing of handguns and automatic rifles are inconsistent with Christ's admonition to 'love your neighbor as yourself'; and

WHEREAS, a mandated waiting period for purchase of handguns and restricting the availability of automatic rifles, such as the AK-47 and Uzi, does not endanger or interfere with the citizens' right to 'bear arms'; and

WHEREAS, the overwhelming majority of police officials, law enforcement agencies, and American people favor responsible control of handguns and automatic weapons;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana, July 28 - August 2, 1989, call on the President and Congress of the United States to adopt legislation mandating a two-week waiting period for the purchase of all handguns; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly call on the President and Congress of the United States to restrict the availability of automatic rifles to military and law enforcement agencies.