

No. 8940

RESOLUTION CONCERNING ENERGY CONSERVATION

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, depletion of non-renewable energy resources, especially petroleum, is imminent, given present levels of use; and

WHEREAS, current non-renewable energy resources are the major sources of air pollution, specifically acid-rain precursors, carbon dioxide (greenhouse effect) and smog; and

WHEREAS, Federal funding for research and development of alternative, renewable energy resources has been decreased;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana, July 28 - August 2, 1989, endorse to the President and Congress of the United States that energy efficiency should be an immediate and major priority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Assembly urge the passage of federal legislation to double the fuel economy of the nation's automobiles by the year 2000 compared to the 1990 standard, promote "least cost" utility services, e.g., all feasible conservation and other demand side resources are evaluated along with new energy supply options and are ranked according to cost-effectiveness, strongly support research and development of renewable energy resources, e.g., solar, wind, hydro-, and biological fuels, and assist developing countries to move toward energy efficient economies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly urge the passage of federal legislation to improve the fuel economy of all currently exempt motor vehicles.

No. 8941

RESOLUTION CONCERNING ECONOMIC CONVERSION

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, God wills a world of Shalom, of peace and justice; and

WHEREAS, some claim that the economics of industrialized nations are not viable without large expenditures for armaments, while others insist that conversion to a more peace-oriented economy is possible;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana July 28 - August 2, 1989, encourage congregations to study these competing claims including proposed federal legislation on economic conversion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Division of Homeland Ministries, within the limits of staff and resources available, be asked to gather educational resources on economic conversion to be available to congregations on request.