RESOLUTION #1

Revisions from General Constitution & Bylaws Amendments

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WHEREAS the 2022 PAOC General Conference approved amendments to the *General Constitution & Bylaws* that require amendments to the ABNWT District Constitution & By-laws; and,

WHEREAS the amendments presented are in regards to the following:

- 1. Amending references to the Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths
- 2. Adding references to Positions and Practices of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
- 3. Amending references to the casting of ballots and voting electronically without an eligible voter being physically present
- 4. Amending the process for choosing a District credential holder to serve as a nominee to the General Conference for election to the General Executive
- 5. Amending references to the International Missions Department

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following Articles and Bylaws be amended as follows:

ARTICLE 4 TENETS OF FAITH

This District Conference accepts the Holy Scriptures as the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice and adopts the Statements of Fundamental and Essential Truths and Positions and Practices as approved by The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

ARTICLE 7 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

7.1 POWERS

The District Conference shall possess all the powers of a general meeting of the members of the Corporation duly convened, and all the powers granted to the Corporation by the Letters Patent. This shall include the power to confirm a Bylaw passed by the District Lead Team and the power, by a two-thirds **majority of ballots cast by vote of the** members of the District Conference present at the time and place of voting, to authorize a sale of the undertaking or assets of the Corporation, and to authorize a winding-up of the affairs of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 9 MEETINGS

9.6 QUORUM

Those members of the voting constituency present registered at the time and place of voting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 10 LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

Local assemblies affiliated with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada shall be comprised of born-again believers of Pentecostal persuasion, associating themselves together in a group for the purpose of worship, self-edification and worldwide evangelization. Its members shall share in maintaining scriptural order, a standard of holiness and agreement with the Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths and Positions and Practices of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, and shall be faithful in financial support.

Local assemblies are expected to cooperate with district and national programs, and are expected to contribute regularly to the worldwide missionary program global and local mission of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

ARTICLE 11 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any regular or special meeting of the District Conference, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted to the District Leadership Team and to the membership at least 30 days before such meeting for consideration. A two-thirds **majority of ballots cast** vote of all members present and voting at the Conference shall be necessary for adoption of any amendment. All amendments shall be submitted to the General Executive Committee for ratification.

BYLAW 3

ELECTIONS

3.2.1.1.3

NOMINATIONS

The first Ballot shall be a nominating ballot, and only those having five percent or more **of the** ballots **cast** shall be reported on the nomination ballot and become nominees for election.

3.4 GENERAL EXECUTIVE NOMINEE

The voting shall be conducted by electronic or written ballot as follows:

The District Leadership Team shall present three eligible names on a nomination ballot. Additional credential holders receiving over 5% on the nominating ballot shall be eligible to appear on the election ballot. A candidate receiving more than 50 percent of the votes cast two-thirds majority on the District Conference nomination first election ballot shall be required in order to select the District nominee to be presented to the General Conference. If the District nominee is not confirmed on the nomination ballot, a first election ballot shall be held. If the District nominee is not confirmed on the first election ballot by a simple majority, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall appear on the second election ballot. A simple majority vote shall confirm the of votes are required for election of the District nominee for the General Conference nomination slate for General Executive members-at-large.

In the event that the District nominee is elected prior to the District Conference meeting, the nominee shall be ratified at the District Conference meeting with a simple majority of votes in favor.

In the event that a person so nominated shall subsequently become ineligible or unavailable for election, the District Leadership Team shall be authorized to appoint a nominee on behalf of the District.

BYLAW 7 MINISTRY

7.1 MINISTRY DESCRIBED

Persons under appointment by the Mission Global Operations Committee shall have their credentials transferred to the department of the International Office responsible for international missions global mission programs, but they shall continue to have voting privileges in their credentialing district.

BYLAW 8 LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

8.1 AFFILIATION

The local congregation shall, at a regularly convened meeting, pass a resolution adopting the Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths and Positions and Practices approved by the General Conference.

8.2 ASSEMBLIES

8.2.1.7 They shall be expected to cooperate in the promotion of departmental activities of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, such as International Missions Mission Global, children's ministries, youth ministries, ministers' pension fund, Publications, Bible Colleges, Seminaries and Camp Meetings.

BYLAW 12 MISSIONS

12.1 INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL MISSIONS

Assemblies affiliated with the District Conference shall work in harmony with the plans and methods of the department of the International Office of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada that is responsible for international global missions.