

RESOLUTION: Forgiveness of Camp and Retreat Center Pre-2015 Deficits

WHEREAS, Camping and Retreat Ministries of the New England Conference have been faithfully working on plans for missional expansion and financial sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Camping and Retreat Ministry centers have a collective debt of over \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, all of our sites finished 2014 with positive balances; and

WHEREAS, the CRM plan calls for the establishment of a reserve fund for camping and retreat ministries to assist with unexpected shortfalls; and

WHEREAS, the Conference desires to encourage good stewardship practices and financial stability at its camp and retreat centers; and

WHEREAS, the burden of past deficits limits the ability to build up reserves and/or funds for camperships, deferred maintenance and capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, Jesus Christ calls us to practice jubilee justice as we serve the mission of the church,

BE IT RESOLVED That:

Each camp or retreat center that has outstanding deficits carried over from years prior to 2015 will receive forgiveness of 20% of its deficit at the end of each fiscal year ending in a positive balance, up to five years during the period that ends 12/31/2025.