

EXECUTIVE RESOLUTION

Procedure for Amendments to the Church Constitution September 16, 2022

WHEREAS, the Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Inc. is governed according to its Church Constitution, which was originally adopted on August 18, 1983; and

WHEREAS, at the time of adoption, Article X – Amendments and Repeals – of the Church Constitution stated that, "Articles contained in this Constitution may be amended or repealed as necessary when the procedures for the same are established."

WHEREAS, Article I, Section II and Article III, Section II of the Church Constitution provide that the Board of Bishops, as the governing body of the Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Inc., may enact laws, by-laws, rules, and regulations to govern the church in spiritual and secular matters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Bishops, after consultation and review by the Board of Presbytery, has established procedures for amendments and repeals of the Church Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Bishops does hereby declare that the following shall become Article X – Amendments and Repeals – of the Church Constitution and does hereby amend the Church Constitution to include Article X as follows:

Article X - Church Constitution Amendments and Repeals

This Constitution may be amended or repealed as necessary under the following procedure:

- 1. Only Pastors, Elders, or Bishops of the Progressive Church may propose amendments to this Constitution.
- 2. Any proposed amendment must be in writing, signed by at least three (3) persons holding the title of Pastor, Elder, or Bishop, and submitted to the Board of Bishops for consideration.
- 3. The Board of Bishops shall, by majority vote, decide upon whether to consider the proposed amendment within 90 days after receiving a proposed amendment.
- 4. If the Board of Bishops approves consideration of the amendment, the Board of Bishops shall prepare a written draft of the proposed amendment.
- 5. The Board of Bishops shall submit the proposed written amendment to the Board of Presbytery for advisory consideration. The Board of Presbytery shall within 30 days and by majority vote, provide an advisory and non-binding opinion to the Board of Bishops regarding the proposed amendment, which may include suggested modifications to the proposed amendment.
- 6. The Board of Bishops shall vote to approve, modify, or deny the proposed amendment. In order for any amendment to be effected, there must be at least three Bishops then serving on the Board of Bishops, and if only three, a unanimous vote of the Bishops shall be required for any amendment to be effected. If more than three Bishops are then serving on the Board of Bishops, a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members of the Board of Bishops shall be required for any amendment to be effected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is adopted on September 16, 2022 and shall become effective immediately. A copy of this resolution, affixed with the seal of the church shall be filed in the archives of the national church.

Board of Bishops

Bishop Theodore Jenkins, Presiding Bishop

Bishop David S. Johnson, Sr.

Bishop Paul C. Johnson, Asst. Presiding Bishop

Bishop Lang Priester

Panald T Scott National Secretary

Date

