



Epiphany Lutheran Church Suwanee, Georgia Continuing Resolutions

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Section	Date	Change Description	Reason for Change	Requestor
Change Record	Nov 2011	Original Document	NA	Pastor Rick Barger – Lead Pastor
b)	Feb 2013	Changed recipient of 2% of capital fund	Foster Children’s Foundation dissolved. Epiphany has new partner in Rainbow Village	Pat Barron – Congregational President
c.	Feb 2014	Increased contribution and added recipient for capital fund	Voted to increase first fruits giving from capital fund	Sandy Pullara – Congregational President

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Allocation of First Fruits for Capital Fund

Whereas, Epiphany decided at its annual gathering in 2009 to practice first fruits giving as a congregation in order to model as a body biblical stewardship expected of individuals; and,

Whereas, Epiphany initially designated 5% to the Southeastern Synod of the ELCA and 5% to the Haitian Timoun Foundation for the year 2009; and,

Whereas, in 2010 Epiphany raised first fruits giving from the general fund to 12%, with 5% continuing to the synod and 7% to HTF; and,

Whereas, in the fall of 2010, Epiphany conducted a capital appeal to establish a capital fund for the years 2011 through 2013; and,

Whereas, 12% was designated as first fruits from the capital appeal and the congregation council recommended an allocation confirmed by the adoption of the mission spending plans at the January 23, 2011 congregational meeting; and,

Whereas, in the fall of 2013, Epiphany conducted a new capital appeal for the years 2014 through 2016; and,

Whereas, 15% was designated as first fruits from that capital appeal as communicated throughout the appeal campaign period; and,

Whereas, the Bylaws specify (B.3.h) that the percentages and recipients of first fruits be established and maintained by continuing resolution;

Therefore, be it **Resolved**, that first fruits be designated as follows for the 2014-2016 Capital Fund:

- a) CAPITAL FUND – 15%
 - a. 5% to Novus Way, Inc., an outdoor ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
 - b. 5% to the Haitian Timoun Foundation, a 501 (c) 3 U.S. Public Charity.
 - c. 4% to Rainbow Village, a 501 (c) 3 U.S. Public Charity.
 - d. 1% to Lutheran Campus Ministry Atlanta.

Adopted this __9__ day of __February_____, __2014____.