RESOLUTION CONCERNING A COMPREHENSIVE STATEMENT
ON HEALTH CARE DELIVERY

ADOPTED by the General Assembly

WHEREAS, the issue of comprehensive, quality health care has been a matter of increasing concern to both secular and religious institutions over the past decade; and
WHEREAS, a primary concern of government has been with the rapidly escalating cost of health care during this same period; and
WHEREAS, current attempts to control costs are not unrelated to issues of comprehensiveness and quality, as well as the issue of equity; and
WHEREAS, during the past decade the World Health Organization has set as a goal "Health for All by the Year 2000"; and
WHEREAS, THE Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), acting through its General Assembly, issued a major policy statement on health care delivery (Resolution 7106 "Concerning National Health Care") at the General Assembly meeting in Louisville, Kentucky in 1971:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, August 2-7, 1985, respectfully suggests that the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) should have a current statement on the vital issue of comprehensive, quality health care as it affects the United States and Canada and the world at large; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Minister and President be instructed:
a) to appoint a task force to study this issue, prepare a report and make recommendations consistent with other church policies; and
b) to identify funding sources needed to support the study; and
c) to refer this issue to appropriate ecumenical bodies for possible joint participation in the study; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this study be developed and presented to the General Assembly meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, September 16-21, 1987.