

УКРАЇНСЬКА ПРАВОСЛАВНА ЦЕРКВА В КАНАДІ UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF CANADA L'ÉGLISE ORTHODOXE UKRAINIENNE DU CANADA

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CONSISTORY BOARD MOTION:

WHEREAS the Covid 19 Pandemic caused the XXIVth regular General Council ("Sobor") scheduled for July 2020 to be postponed;

AND WHEREAS the XXIVth regular Sobor rescheduled to July 2021 is slated to be held in an entirely virtual format, in light of ongoing Covid 19 Pandemic constraints, including an emerging new wave of the pandemic in parts of Canada that continues to limit the ability of our full membership to convene together to prepare for the 2021 Sobor;

AND WHEREAS the virtual format presents numerous logistical challenges including, but not limited to, dealing with four time zones, limited or no access to the Sobor by many rural members due to internet limitations, limiting the pool of Sobor delegates overall to those members with computer resources, and lack of assurance that full compliance with our By-Laws in matters such as the participation of guests and voting will be achievable;

AND WHEREAS, due to the time zone constraints and the fatigue factor for those who will be able to participate virtually, the working hours of Sobor are necessarily limited, significantly reducing the amount of business which can be reasonably and meaningfully conducted within the times allotted;

AND WHEREAS there have been 31 resolutions proposed to date to be considered by Sobor not including resolutions of greeting and acknowledgement of which there may be another 10 to 12;

AND WHEREAS it is impractical to deal with all of these resolutions at a virtual Sobor given the logistical constraints and that the need for a (subsequent) special Sobor has been discussed for some time by the Sobor Planning Committee;

AND WHEREAS the By-Laws, Policy & Procedures and Resolutions Committee ("Resolutions Committee") has recommended that the majority of these resolutions be

deferred to a special Sobor to be held in 2022 for the purpose of, among other things, completing the work of the regular Sobor;

AND WHEREAS such a deferral requires the consent of the movers and seconders of the resolutions proposed to be deferred;

AND WHEREAS the circumstances prompting the deferral of the XXIVth regular Sobor in 2020 continue to exist at the current time and it would be more fruitful, efficient and productive to address the proposed resolutions, many of which are complex and interrelated, at a single Sobor in person in 2022;

NOW THEREFORE **BE IT RESOLVED** that:

- The Consistory Board hereby confirms that the XXIVth regular Sobor of the UOCC should be deferred further and formally requests that His Eminence Metropolitan YURIJ immediately call the Sobor to be held in 2022 at a time and place determined by the Consistory Board not later than July 10, 2022; and that
- 2. The Office of the Consistory give notice of this **motion** to all parishes of the UOCC as soon as practicable.

Moved by **Walter Pylypchuk**, Chair, By-Laws, Policy & Procedures and Resolutions Committee, seconded by **Stephania Luciuk**.

CARRIED, Blessed by His Eminence Metropolitan YURIJ

Ratified pursuant to s. 11.12 of the UOCC Bylaws and blessed for implementation by His Eminence Metropolitan YURIJ this ____/ 7 + day of April, 2021

His Eminence Metropolitan YURIJ