Advisory Committee 2, Synodical Services and Structure II, Rev. Cory Nederveld reporting, presents the following:

## I. Response to Overture 47, 48 and Communications 15-26 (Majority)

- A. Materials
- 1. Overture 47, supplement
- 2. Overture 48, supplement
- 3. Communication 15, pp. 587-590
- 4. Communication 16, pp. 590-591
- 5. Communication 17, pp. 592-594
- 6. Communication 18, pp. 595-596
- 7. Communication 19, pp. 596-597
- 8. Communication 20, pp. 597-598
- 9. Communication 21, pp. 598-600
- 10. Communication 22, pp. 600-601
- 11. Communication 23, pp. 602-603
- 12. Communication 24, pp. 603-604
- 13. Communication 25, pp. 604-605
- 14. Communication 26, pp. 605-614

## B. Recommendations

1. That synod declare churches, members, and office-bearers that have declared themselves to be in the status of one in protest with ecclesiastical intent have entered into the process of discipline according to the procedures set by Synod 2024 and existing Church Order.

## Grounds:

- a. There is no category in Church Order for members, officebearers, councils, or classes to be "in protest" regarding settled and binding synodical decisions concerning confessional matters, or to add "metaphorical asterisks" by their names. Future inception or tacit acceptance of such categories would be a threat to the existence of the CRCNA and to the integrity of its confessional subscription.
- b. As a matter of consistency in discipline, there is no need to elaborate a separate path of discipline and repentance in accordance to Synod 2024 and existing Church Order.
- 2. That Synod declare this the answer to Overtures 47, 48, and Communications 15-26.

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