TITLE: R1-2022 | RESOLUTION TO FURTHER 2022 GENERAL CONVENTION RESOLUTION A087 THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONGREGATION-BASED PLANS TO ACHIEVE CARBON-NEUTRAL FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS BY 2030

RESOLVED, That each congregation shall strive to better understand and address how climate change relates to our call as Christians to care for God's creation. Each congregation shall encourage its members to study, pray, and work to discern how the Spirit is leading them to address climate change in their households and daily lives; and be it further

RESOLVED, That each congregation and diocesan organization or ministry shall by December 31, 2024, develop and present to its Vestry or equivalent governing body a facility needs assessment to identify the actions necessary to enable its facilities and operations to become carbon neutral by 2030. The Commission on the Environment will provide education, guidance, and resources to assist congregations and other diocesan organizations as they develop their needs assessments; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in anticipation of the completion of facility needs assessments by December 31, 2024, the Commission on the Environment shall conduct ongoing research to identify potential financial resources to carry out the measures identified in the facility needs assessments to promote carbon neutrality while preventing undue financial burdens on congregations.

The motion was seconded. There was discussion.

There was a motion to amend the resolution which read: To change the word "shall" in the second resolve to "will make every effort to" There was discussion on the amendment. The amendment failed.

The discussion resumed on the resolution. The question was called. The resolution passed.