Ref. B Stated Clerk November 19, 2022 Presbytery of Southern New England

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK TO THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND February 15, 2023

FOR INFORMATION:

- 1. The amendments to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) proposed by the General Assembly are provided as **Ref. B-1**. There are 33 proposed amendments, owing in part to the referral of many substantive items of business from the 224th General Assembly in 2020 (which met only in plenary, with no committee work) to the 225th General Assembly in 2022. They were presented for a first reading at the November 2022 Meeting of the Presbytery. No questions or concerns were posed at that time, or since then. The Roundtable has elected to follow the format that most Presbyteries are taking to this large set of amendments, which is to place them on the floor as one omnibus motion, and then if members of the Presbytery want to debate a specific amendment, they may request to pull that particular one. Please take time prior to the meeting to review these in full, there is much to process and discern here.
- 2. We currently have two Administrative Commissions operating at the behest of the Presbytery. Their minutes are included in two folders for the Presbytery, to update you on their work and progress.
- 3. The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Presbytery on January 17, 2023 and the minutes of the regular Stated Meeting of the Presbytery on November 19, 2022 are presented in the consent motions for this meeting.
- 4. A reminder to all congregations that annual reports are due by February 15 to your Stated Clerk portal and a thank you to those who have already submitted their reports.

FOR ACTION BY THE PRESBYTERY:

I **RECOMMEND**:

- 1. That the Presbytery **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery (September 21, 2022). (These minutes are posted with the meeting materials.)
- 2. That the Presbytery **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Presbytery (October 25, 2022). (These minutes are posted with the meeting materials.)