



PROCLAMATION HONORING REV. DR. RICHARD N. STEWART FOR 50 YEARS OF ORDAINED MINISTRY

WHEREAS, more than 50 years ago, the Holy Spirit of the Living God called Richard N. Stewart to be a Shepherd to God's people, and

WHEREAS, he answered this call and enrolled in, and graduated from, the Hamma School of Theology, Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH, and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Seminary, he served Westwood Lutheran Church, Dayton, OH; Lord God of Sabaoth Lutheran Church, Christiansted, St. Croix, VI; Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, PA; and Christ Lutheran Church, Upper Darby, PA, and

WHEREAS, between his pastorates at the above named churches, he provided professional Christian leadership at the Dayton Rehabilitation Center, Dayton, OH; Urban Crisis Inc, Atlanta, GA; Central State University, Wilberforce, OH; Hamma School of Theology, Springfield, OH; Inter-Faith Campus Ministry, Central State University, Wilberforce, OH; and the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia (currently, United Lutheran Seminary), and

WHEREAS, he has served in a number of other church and community/ ecumenical positions, and

WHEREAS, his work appears in numerous publications; he has served as consultant on several projects; and has made a great number of presentations, and

WHEREAS, he is a lifetime member of the African Descent Lutheran Association and a member of the Conference of International Black Lutherans; where he provided extraordinary serve in both organizations;

WHEREAS, he provided primary leadership in the effort to install — and re-install — the Rev. Jehu Jones Historical Marker at 310 Quince Street, Philadelphia, PA; and

WHEREAS, he has been researching African American Lutheran history for nearly 35 years!

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the members of the African Descent Lutheran Association (ADLA)/Philadelphia Chapter that we heartily salute Rev. Dr. Richard N. Stewart for his many years of exemplary service.

Dr. Addie J. Butler, Chapter President