WHEREAS, the Holy Synod of the ECC 2026 has lawfully convened and passed the constitutional amendment listed below;

This proposal extends Constitution article I. Mission and Creed, subsection 1. So that it shall read as follows:

We hereby affirm this Constitution as an instrument of governance and guidance for our ecclesial body and its member communities. This document is the primary document of the ECC and all other ECC documents must agree in spirit and in practice. Other ECC documents also include, but are not limited to, regional/diocesan and faith community constitutions, statutes and bylaws. In the case of disagreement between documents, this document prevails.

WHEREAS, the Presiding Bishop has the obligation to either approve or veto said Amendments;

NOW THEREFORE, after due consideration I affix my signature below APPROVING this amendment.

Signed this day October 12th, 2026

+ Paul J Burson

Bishop Paul Burson