

Title: Creation of an Immigration Issues Video

Recommendation: NEW

Financial Implications: Yes

Sponsoring Agency: Global Young People's Convocation and Legislative Assembly/General Board of Discipleship

*A petition* to the 2008 General Conference:

**WHEREAS, the world is experiencing a crisis concerning immigration issues and the rights of immigrants; and**

**WHEREAS, *The Book of Resolutions* has established a theological stance regarding this matter; and**

**WHEREAS, this is a critical issue for young people throughout the United Methodist connection and the world; and**

**WHEREAS, the slogan of The United Methodist Church is "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"; and**

**WHEREAS, there exists a need for effective communication of the reality that immigrants face,**

***Therefore, be it resolved* that the Global Young People's Convocation and Legislative Assembly recommends that the Church shall produce a video presentation of the issues of immigration, specifically the personal realities that immigrants face in different global settings.**

***Be it further resolved* that the video shall be global in nature, with perspectives from each continent, ensuring that there is representation from the central conferences, and**

***Be it further resolved* that the video shall be produced through a partnership of the General Board of Global Ministries and the General Board of Church and Society by the United Methodist Communications in consultation with the Division on Ministries with Young People, and**

***Be it further resolved* that after production, the video shall be shown at every annual conference throughout the connection as well as posted on the Internet as a downloadable resource for all congregations.**

***Be it finally resolved* that the church shall establish an approximate budget of \$150,000. The funding shall come from the quadrennial budgets of the above-named agencies.**

*For additional text of this petition go to: [www.GBOD.org/gc2008](http://www.GBOD.org/gc2008)*