RESOLUTION FOR CLOSURE: HOLTVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUBJECT: Holtville United Methodist Church, Holtville, CA

SUBMITTED BY: Appointive Cabinet

WHEREAS, in 1906 Holtville Methodist Church was established in Holtville, CA to minister to the community of Holtville and

WHEREAS, we celebrate this congregation and its several pastors past efforts to faithfully reach persons who were discipled into a deeper faith with Jesus Christ and challenged to serve the families of the area. However the capacity to do so in an effective manner for growth has ceased and

WHEREAS in January of 2016 the South District Planning and Strategy rightfully conducted a Paragraph #213 Ministry Potential Assessment according to the 2016 Book of Discipline and shared its findings with the leaders of Holtville UMC and

WHEREAS the South District Committee on Buildings and Locations did unanimously approved the closure of Holtville UMC ¶ 2549. 2.(4).b.; and

WHEREAS recommendation to discontinue the charter of the church was properly made by the South District Superintendent, has been granted by the Presiding Bishop, and a unanimous vote of the District Superintendents pursuant to 2016 Book of Discipline ¶2549.2.(4).b; and

WHEREAS the District Superintendent has obtained the opinion of legal counsel as to the existence of any reversion, possibilities of reverter, right of reacquisition or similar restrictions pursuant to 2016 Book of Discipline ¶ 2549.1;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Holtville United Methodist Church be confirmed by the California-Pacific Conference as having been officially discontinued on December 31st, 2019, with the members transferring to the a nearby United Methodist Church of their choosing, and all financial, personal and real assets transferred to California-Pacific Annual Conference and the South District of the United Methodist Church for future ministry development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any property is found to exist and be sold, after any and all outstanding financial liabilities and/or obligations are resolved, and including any and all anticipated proceeds from the sale of property(ies) and any and all gifts, legacies, endowments, annuities and other benefits previously assigned to the local charge; these will be distributed according to the Book of Discipline and the rules of the California-Pacific Annual Conference.