WHEREAS, racial justice, strategic planning, strengthening congregations, and uplifting communities all sit at the heart of our National Convocation's purpose; and

WHEREAS, the rise of white supremacist violence and nationalism have been identified by as the greatest domestic terror threat in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the civic duty of voting is necessary and appropriate action in response to our ancestors' great sacrifices, the judicial fleecing of the Voting Rights Act, and the overt disparaging of our community by elected officials and their nominees for elected office; and

WHEREAS, we have congregations in battleground states that need voter engagement and mobilization support in African American communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we will identify key National Convocation congregations in Georgia, Michigan, North Carolina, Ohio, and Texas to resource with voter engagement materials and mobilization support from the National Convocation September through November of this election year.

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