Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA – La Crosse Area Synod Goals Resolution

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in assembly on June 14, 2014, voted to "affirm and commit itself to participation in Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA;" and

WHEREAS the ELCA Campaign seeks to support and grow ministries valued by this synod: starting and renewing congregations, ministry with those with disabilities, raising up leaders, working with youth, fighting world hunger and malaria, and serving the global church through missionary sponsorships, Young Adults in Global Mission, and support of women leaders in our partner churches; and

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod celebrates contributing over \$165,000 to the ELCA Malaria Campaign over three years, all of which applies to the La Crosse Area Synod's gifts toward the Always Being Made New Campaign; and

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod celebrates contributing over \$122,000 to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal in 2014, all of which applies to the Synod's gifts toward the ELCA Campaign; and

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod expects to at least match the Hunger Appeal \$122,000 for each of the next four years of the ELCA Campaign, raising at least another \$488,000; and

WHEREAS this totals an assumed \$775,000 applying to the ELCA Campaign without any challenge; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the La Crosse Area Synod challenge itself with a campaign goal of \$1.1 million by the conclusion of the campaign, January 31, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED that the congregational leaders voting on this resolution challenge themselves to lead their congregations in reaching this goal.

For the La Crosse Area Synod 2015 Assembly