

**THE NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD
OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ON COOPERATION AND MISSIONAL STRATEGY**

The Board of Trustees for The North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Inc. (“Board of Trustees”), following proper notice (or notice having been waived in accordance with the Bylaws), meeting of requisite quorum, and unanimous affirmative vote, hereby consensually resolves and sets forth the following upon the recommendation of the NAMB Executive Committee:

1. The Board of Trustees is focused on ensuring that NAMB’s strategies, personnel, and funding are consistent with our ministry assignments and the missional mandate provided to NAMB by an overwhelming majority of SBC messengers at the 2010 SBC annual meeting. We desire to cooperate with all SBC churches, associations, and state conventions, and we steward NAMB’s funding and resources in a manner consistent with our strategies and ministry assignments. We have directed and support NAMB’s efforts to ensure NAMB funding follows strategy; and

2. The Board of Trustees enthusiastically supports and affirms NAMB’s executive leadership and staff in the direction NAMB is taking in fulfilling our ministry assignments and Convention mandates with churches, associations, and state conventions; and

3. The Board of Trustees is grateful for and takes very seriously the stewardship of resources given to NAMB by SBC churches through the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, so we hold NAMB to the highest standards of accountability, including transparent financial reporting, independent external audits, and an internal audit function that reports directly to the Trustees; and

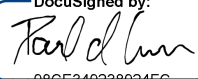
4. The Board of Trustees seeks to cooperate with SBC churches, associations, and state conventions in carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ to unreached parts of North America. We recognize that the SBC rightly enjoys both flexibility and diversity within our shared theology and mission. This allows us to accomplish more together than we could accomplish apart. We conduct our ministry in accordance with the Bible as our primary authority and the Baptist Faith & Message 2000 as our guiding statement of faith, allowing flexibility where it is appropriate, but maintaining adherence where it is required; and

5. The Board of Trustees recognizes that disagreements over missional strategy and structure can and will sometimes occur in a large faith family like the SBC. We encourage our ministry partners and all Southern Baptists to communicate any strategic concerns to NAMB directly, with grace and love, rather than through unhealthy online postings which have become far too common in the world today. In contrast, as the body of Christ, we should all look to the Bible as our guide and look forward to finding God-honoring solutions to maintain healthy relationships, or restore them as we are able, in a manner that displays Christ-like unity among believers; and

6. The Board of Trustees has received with gratitude the recommendations of the SBC Executive Committee in its communication titled “Cooperation is the Way Forward,” dated January 27, 2021. We are grateful for the investment of time the officers and executive leadership of the SBC Executive Committee have made to help NAMB and its ministry partners further efforts to seek cooperative solutions and alignment of our important ministry strategies; and

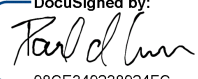
7. While recognizing that not all may agree with the missional strategy mandated to NAMB and under which NAMB operates, the Board of Trustees supports and encourages any and all cooperative efforts undertaken by NAMB and its executive leadership to work with churches, associations, and state conventions in fulfilling our collective Gospel mission.

Approved by the Executive Committee at its meeting, February 1, 2021.

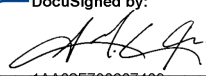
DocuSigned by:

98CE349238924FC...

Danny de Armas,
Chair of the Executive Committee
The North American Mission Board
of the Southern Baptist Convention, Inc.

SO RESOLVED and APPROVED by the Board of Trustees at its full Board meeting, February 2, 2021.

DocuSigned by:

98CE349238924FC...

Danny de Armas,
Chairman of the Board
The North American Mission Board
of the Southern Baptist Convention, Inc.

DocuSigned by:

1AA02F780607409...

George McCallum,
Secretary
The North American Mission Board
of the Southern Baptist Convention, Inc.