Appendix A

Joint Overture from Presbytery of Central Carolinas and Presbytery of the Southeast to realign the boundaries of the Presbyteries of the Southeast and Central Carolinas.

Joint Overture from Presbytery of Central Carolinas and Presbytery of the Southeast

From: Presbytery of Central Carolinas

Presbytery of the Southeast

We rejoice and give thanks to our God for the growth of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church namely in the Presbytery of Mid-Atlantic which in the past two years has arranged itself into three individual presbyteries to more intentionally address their ministry model to congregations and to greater ministry efforts. One of these three presbyteries created is that of Central Carolinas.

Among those attracted to the ministry model of Central Carolina and to their geographic location inclusive of western North Carolina are two congregations presently identified with the Presbytery of the Southeast:

Plumtree Presbyterian Church, Plumtree, North Carolina Providence Presbyterian Church, Clyde, North Carolina

One of these two churches previously held membership in Mid-Atlantic Presbytery of the EPC in the early years of the denomination and was an active congregation in a similar geographic area as that of the present Central Carolinas; and

Because these two churches are within a short distance from the western boundary of Central Carolinas and could more readily access the greater portion of this new presbytery and could more easily participate and offer gifts and leadership; and

Because these two churches were not previously contacted concerning possible membership in the accessible Presbytery of Central Carolinas, and

Because these two churches have expressed a commitment to request the General Assembly include them as members of the newly-formed Presbytery of Central Carolinas;

We, therefore, as the Presbytery of Central Carolinas and the Presbytery of the Southeast, overture the 43rd General **Assembly to realign the boundaries of the Presbyteries of the Southeast and Central Carolinas to move these two churches:**

Plumtree Presbyterian Church, Plumtree, North Carolina Providence Presbyterian Church, Clyde, North Carolina formerly in the Presbytery of the Southeast into the Presbytery of Central Carolinas.

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