## GENERAL SYNOD 2010 RESOLUTIONS FORM

## **Resolution Number C002 Baptismal Covenant Addition** Subject Moved by **The Very Rev. Louise Peters** Seconded by **Dr. Lela Zimmer Be it resolved that this General Synod:** Direct the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee 1. to compose and integrate an additional baptismal vow to the Baptismal Covenant set out in the Book of Alternative Services that would address our ministry to sustain, respect, and renew the life systems of the earth as stewards of creation; and 2. to report the proposed addition to General Synod 2013 for approval. Member Source **Submitted by Louise Peters** Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes No X

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes

No

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

It is time to move to a more connected covenant in our baptism that includes our planet and the sacred relationship we share with all creatures. A possible example of the suggested addition might read: "

"Will you respect, steward, and sustain the earth and all of God's creation, and do all in your power to honour the integrity of all life?"

Response: "I will with God's help."

This resolution puts the Fifth Mark of Mission into our prayer, promise and baptismal ministry in a tangible way.