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Dear Friend:

We, the undersigned directors of the Presbyterian Lay Committee, cognizant of a growing crisis in the denomination arising from defiance against the Constitution of The Presbyterian Church (USA), and speaking as ordained leaders who have taken vows to uphold the Constitution, endorse the following call to the church:

## A Call for Constitutional Integrity

**We reaffirm** our ultimate commitment and submission to the supreme authority of Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church, and thus,

**We reject** the elevation of personal opinion and self as ultimate authority.

**We reaffirm** our commitment and submission to the authority of Christ and the Scriptures as embodied in the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA), having freely placed ourselves under that authority by our ordination vows, and thus,

**We reject** the legitimacy of and will not condone defiance of the Constitution, which undermines that authority.

**We pledge** ourselves to labor for a just and equitable adherence to the Constitution by utilizing the Rules of Discipline in the spirit of its Preamble, and thus,

**We reject** and will not condone any failure of corporate disciplinary will or corruption or malfeasance in the judicial process.

**We invite** all Presbyterians to endorse this commitment to constitutional integrity, urging sessions and individuals to express their convictions in this matter with other churches in their presbytery and to the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly.



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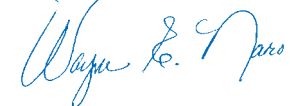
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