

**A Resolution of Ongoing Appreciation
for the
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina**

WHEREAS, the Biblical Recorder was founded in 1833 to promote cooperation among churches in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Biblical Recorder serves as the primary news and information outlet for North Carolina Baptists; and

WHEREAS, the Biblical Recorder strives to provide reliable information and inspiring stories that build trust and partnership among North Carolina Baptists; and

WHEREAS, the Biblical Recorder has benefited from and contributed to a friendly partnership with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's board of directors has formed a study committee to review its relationship with affiliated institutions and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina is in a period of transition, following the retirement of Milton A. Hollifield Jr. as executive director-treasurer, currently under the leadership of interim executive director-treasurer Brian Upshaw, and entering the final stages of selecting a new leader; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Biblical Recorder affirms the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's core values as they are expressed in its "Seven Pillars for Ministry;" and

RESOLVED, that the Biblical Recorder commits, if requested, to cordially participate in the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's review process led by its board of director's study committee; and

RESOLVED, that the Biblical Recorder commits to support, in all ways practical and reasonable, the vision and strategy of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's next executive director-treasurer; and

RESOLVED, that the Biblical Recorder remains committed to reporting newsworthy information, whether encouraging or difficult, for the sake of truth, transparency and trust among North Carolina Baptists; and

RESOLVED, that the Biblical Recorder expresses ongoing appreciation for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina as a partner in gospel ministry.

This statement was approved unanimously by the Biblical Recorder's board of directors in a regularly scheduled meeting on April 19, 2021.