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LUTHERAN CHURCH—CANADA

**RESOLUTIONS**



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**RESOLUTION 99.1.05**

**To Encourage Wide Use Of The Talents And Gifts Of Women In  
The Church**

- WHEREAS the document Theses on the Role of Women in the Church was submitted to the church for study and response at the 1996 Synodical Convention; and
- WHEREAS every Christian, male and female, young and old, has been called in the waters of baptism to the royal priesthood (Acts 2:38; 1 Corinthians 12:13; 1 Peter 2:9); and
- WHEREAS Christian women, as well as men, are called to serve our Lord according to a wide and varied number of gifts and abilities with which He has blessed them, and in that station in life in which He has placed them (Revised document – Theses on the Role of Women in the Church, Thesis 10), this includes many areas of service in the church, with the qualifications being “...that they not hold the office of pastor-teacher-bishop-elder and/or perform those functions that are distinctive to that office.” (Thesis 9 from the same document); and
- WHEREAS Thesis 9 also quotes from Women in the Church, the 1985 LCMS CTCR Report, that “Women may (thus) hold any office and serve on any committee of the congregation which enhances the work of the priesthood of all believer” (Thesis 9, p. G.32, Convention Workbook, 1996); therefore be it
- RESOLVED that we encourage wide use of the talents and gifts of women in the church.

Adopted, Session 5