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T0: Congregations of Lutheran Church—Canada FROM: Grace Henderson, Secretary RE: Nomination of President, Vice-President, Regional Pastor and Circuit Counsellor

At the June 2022 convention of Lutheran Church—Canada delegates will be electing individuals to the offices of President and Vice-President, along with the election of Regional Pastors and Circuit Counsellors. The Synodical Bylaws state the following concerning nominations for these positions.

<u>For President and Vice-President:</u> Nominations for the office of president or vice-president shall be made in the following manner: 1. Each Member Congregation shall be entitled to nominate two pastors from the roster as candidates for each office. 2. The secretary shall mail via post or electronic means to each Member Congregation ballots for nominating these candidates. 3. Each nominating ballot shall be signed by the president (or chairman) and the secretary of the Member Congregation and returned to the secretary not later than four months prior to the opening date of the Convention. 4. Candidates for the office of president or vice-president shall be the five pastors receiving the highest number of nominations from the congregations.

<u>For Regional Pastors</u>: In the absence of a Synodical Bylaw specifying the procedure for nomination of Regional Pastors, the Commission on Constitutional Matters and Structure (CCMS) concurs with the recommendation of the Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE): "Each Member Congregation of the region shall be entitled to nominate from the roster of the Synod two pastors as candidates for the office of Regional Pastor in the same way that nomination of the President and Vice-President are specified. Member Congregations may make such nominations only for the region in which they are located."

<u>For Circuit Counsellors</u>: Every Member congregation in each circuit shall nominate as candidates for the office of circuit counsellor two men from among the pastors of congregations of the circuit or from among the retired pastors who hold membership in one of the member congregations of that circuit. The nominations shall be made at least three months prior to the elections and shall be submitted to the secretary. A majority of nominations constitutes on election.

Attached are ballots for nomination for these positions. Please follow the instructions on the ballots carefully and ensure that they are returned to the address and by the date shown on the ballots.

In Christ's service,

Grace Henderson, Secretary Lutheran Church—Canada