Resolution
URGING THAT ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES NOT INTERFERE WITH BROADCAST FREQUENCIES

WHEREAS our nation is currently exploring alternative sources for energy, including but not limited to the use of wind turbines, which do not come within the jurisdiction over oversight of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC); and

WHEREAS research has documented that wind turbines can cause interference with radio or television broadcast frequency that is generated within proximity of such turbines; and

WHEREAS at least one member broadcaster of the National Religious Broadcasters has experienced frequency interference as a result of a wind turbine “farm” in operation within proximity of the broadcast facility and its towers, and anecdotal evidence also indicates that the FCC has received similar complaints; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Religious Broadcasters hereby urges local, state and federal officials and agencies that license and oversee the installation and operation of alternate energy sites, including but not limited to wind turbines, to be mindful of potential interference with the frequencies of existing radio and television broadcasters, and to prevent such interference by appropriate site planning for such alternative energy sites.

Approved by the Board of Directors February 18, 2012