Laying Down the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel

The Ministry Coordinating Committee and Liaison are bringing to the floor of Yearly Meeting the recommendation that the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel (YMMC) be permanently laid down.

The precedent for this action has come before us in the past as a temporary measure following the formation of the Meetings for Discernment. In minutes from Summer Sessions 2007 through 2015 we have minuted the action to suspend the YMMC while we have lived into our experiment with the Meetings for Discernment.

We are now in 2016, the Meetings for Discernment have been meeting successfully for ten years, and the realization is that we will not be bringing back the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel. We also have addressed the roles that were exclusively filled by the YMMC in the past: that of nurturing emerging gifts in ministry and the recording of ministers, both of which are under the care of Ministry Coordinating Committee.

We therefore recommend that we officially lay down the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at this time and state that in our minutes.

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