

Resolution 5

COMPOSITION OF GENERAL PRESBYTERY

1 WHEREAS, The 1916 General Council established the General Presbytery as a representative
2 body to serve the General Council in all phases of its work and interests; and

3 WHEREAS, Over the years, the General Council has expanded the composition of the General
4 Presbytery to more effectively represent our growing constituency; and

5 WHEREAS, The 6,502 female credentialed ministers (2007) are under-represented on the General
6 Presbytery; and

7 WHEREAS, The 7,987 credentialed ministers under 40 years of age (2007) are under-represented
8 on the General Presbytery; and

9 WHEREAS, The Assemblies of God would be well-served to expand the composition of the
10 General Presbytery to reflect our growing constituency by increasing the
11 representation of female credentialed ministers and credentialed ministers under 40
12 years of age; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That General Council Constitution, Article IX. OFFICERS AND PRESBYTERIES
14 OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL, Section 3. General Presbytery, pages 90 and 91, be
15 amended by the addition of one new paragraph to be known as g. Additional
16 Representation, which shall read:

17 **g. Additional Representation.** There shall be an additional 30 members based
18 on ratios of approximately 25 percent ordained females and the balance ordained
19 ministers under the age of 40 at the time of election. All these additional
20 members shall serve a 2-year term and may be elected for an additional 2-year
21 term (if they continue to qualify in the case of the under 40 years-of-age
22 members).

23 And be it further

24 RESOLVED, That present paragraphs g. and h. be re-lettered as h. and i.

Sponsor: General Presbytery

Presented _____
Amended _____
Referred _____
Adopted _____
Lost _____