Proposed Bylaw Amendment ARTICLE X: Section 2. Ministerial Search Committee

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ARTICLE X: Special Committees Reporting to the Congregation Section 2. Ministerial Search Committee

Whenever it becomes necessary to select a new Minister, a ministerial search committee shall be elected by the Congregation to conduct the search. The plan prepared by the Board for selection of the Minister shall specify the size and responsibilities of this committee. The Board will use resources from the UUA as a guide to plan for the selection of the Settled Minister.

Rationale:

The UUA provides a handbook over 100 pages in length that provides clear guidance about the search committee and the search process. Any congregation member can review those resources for more transparency in the search process.

From the Transitions Interview document:

The Transition Interview provides an occasion for a representative of the region to check in with the leadership of the congregation. It is a good time to establish whether the congregation has checked whether it is in compliance with its by-laws regarding such matters as termination, call, and committee on ministry, and whether its by-laws serve them well