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of Canada
General Council**

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WHEREAS the gospel calls us to regard seeking health and wholeness as our part of Christ's ministry.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 36th General Council:

Call upon the Government of Canada to renew its commitment and support for a national medicare program based on the five fundamental principles of the Canadian Health Act: universality, accessibility, portability, comprehensiveness, and public administration.

Call upon the Government of Canada to increase and guarantee the federal cash funding for health care.

Call upon the Government of Canada to recognize the acute need in the field of health care for First Nations peoples, and applaud the commitment to increase spending in this area.

Call upon the Government of Canada in partnership with the provincial and territorial governments to implement a national drug plan to be phased in over four years, to ensure access to necessary drugs for all Canadians.

Call upon the Government of Canada to support and encourage the development of community-based health care.

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