

## SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME RESOLUTION

The following resolution was duly adopted by a vote of the members present at a regular meeting of the official church board (or district officers) of \_\_\_\_\_ (church or district) held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of 20\_\_.

WHEREAS, \_\_\_\_\_ (the recipient) is a recipient of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits under the Social Security Act, and also eligible for minimum benefits from Aged Ministers Assistance of the General Council of the Assemblies of God; and

WHEREAS, AMA benefits ordinarily reduce SSI benefits, with certain exceptions including the following:

- (1) Cash payments to third parties that provide the recipient with any goods or services other than food, clothing or shelter; or
- (2) "in kind" provision of food or clothing by a nonprofit organization; and

WHEREAS, the church/district has agreed to assist the department in distributing AMA benefits to the recipient upon the following terms and conditions:

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY:

RESOLVED, that the AMA department will distribute monthly AMA checks to the church/district with the understanding that the church will hold all such monies in trust and in a segregated account for the exclusive benefit of the recipient, and will expend such monies in either of the following ways, at its discretion:

- (1) Cash payments can be paid by the church directly to a provider of services which are not covered by insurance or Medicaid. Such payments can include those expenses incurred by doctors, clinics, prescriptions, utilities, insurance, etc.
- (2) Food, clothing, or personal items can be purchased by the church and then taken to the recipient.

It is important to note that cash funds cannot be given direct to the minister or those funds are considered by SSI policy as income, and thus deducted from their SSI payment.

RESOLVED, that the church/district agrees to notify the AMA department:

- (1) of the death of the recipient; or
- (2) when the trust account created hereby exceeds \$500, at which time the department will cease making quarterly distributions to the church/district until notified by the church that the account balance is below or near \$100; and

RESOLVED, that in order to assist the AMA department in maintaining accountability of donated funds for auditing purposes, the church will render quarterly reports to the department on forms provided by the department, showing how AMA distributions have been expended; and

RESOLVED, that the church/district may at any time cancel its obligations to assist the department in making AMA distributions available to the recipient.

ATTEST:

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Secretary of the Church Board

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Secretary of District