

PETITION TO THE 2014 ROCKY MOUNTAIN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

TITLE: Discontinuance of the Green River United Methodist Church

ACTION TO BE VOTED ON:

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Mountain Conference express its heartfelt
2 gratitude for their years of service as the Green River United Methodist Church, and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Green River United Methodist Church be discontinued
5 effective at the vote of this Annual Conference session, and that all remaining real and personal,
6 tangible and intangible assets be transferred to the conference board of trustees of the Rocky
7 Mountain, according to the provisions of ¶2549 of the 2012 Book of Discipline of The United
8 Methodist Church.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 22, 2014

TERMINATION DATE: None

ORIGINATOR OF THE PETITION

Name:

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PERSON TO PRESENT PETITION TO CONFERENCE:

(Note. The presenter must be available to attend one training session with the legislative committee officers at the opening of Annual Conference Session. All information below **must** be complete with Petition.) **A person may be presenter of only ONE petition.**

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FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Will there be any financial impact to the Conference? NO.

If YES, fill in appropriate information below.

(To be completed by Originator of Petition)

Cost _____ Period _____ (Not to exceed one year.)

Funds provided by Annual Conference/Agency _____

(To be completed by Conference Council on Finance and Administration)

Reviewed by Council on Finance and Administration, (date) April 24, 2014__
Included in the Proposed 2014 Budget _____Yes/No. In the amount of _____
Recommendation by Council concerning funding

Reason(s)

RATIONALE: (may attach additional pages, numbered)

After extensive study and review, it was decided by the congregation with concurrence by the bishop and cabinet of the Rocky Mountain Conference, that it would be best for the Green River UMC to discontinue.

Whereas the Green River United Methodist Church (GRUMC) located in Sweetwater County, WY, was chartered in 1995 and has had faithful and valuable ministry by disciples of Jesus Christ and members of the United Methodist Church; and

Whereas GRUMC with consent of its district superintendent had the opportunity to sell, and did sell its building and property in January 2014 in order to payoff in full its mortgage indebtedness; and

Whereas, GRUMC struggles to meet the conditions of an organized local church as defined in the 2012 Book of Discipline ¶201-204; and

Whereas, the district superintendent has recommended discontinuance of the Green River United Methodist Church and the remaining members of the church are in agreement; and

Whereas the presiding bishop, a majority of the district superintendents, and the Sub-District Board of Church Location and Building, have consented to discontinuance; and

Whereas, the provisions of the *2012 Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church* regarding discontinuance of a local church have been fulfilled: