

**WELCOMING CONGREGATION RESOLUTION**  
**Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greenville NC**  
**For consideration at the Annual Meeting, May 18, 2008**

**Whereas** our Unitarian Universalist principles call us to affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person and to call for justice, equity and compassion in human relations, and

**Whereas** our Congregation's Mission Statement states:

*We, the UU Congregation of Greenville, United in our diversity,  
We covenant with one another to search, to serve, to grow and to  
love.  
We seek out those who have been turned away,  
We embrace those whose spiritual path has been isolated,  
We strengthen ourselves to comfort the suffering,  
We share with our children our commitment to a more just and  
compassionate society.*

and

**Whereas** the UUCG Board of Trustees, recognizing the importance of becoming a Welcoming Congregation as established by the Unitarian Universalist Association, adopted this initiative as a priority for the 2007-2008 church year, and

**Whereas** congregation members have participated in workshops and other conversations during this past year to explore and educate each other about issues relative, but not limited, to the lives of bisexual, gay, lesbian and/or transgender people, and

**Whereas** congregation members recognize that a resolution to become a Welcoming Congregation is a foundation from which we continue to welcome gay, lesbian, bisexual and/or transgender people and, at the same time, continue to engage in widening our welcome to all other people as well,

**Therefore Be It Resolved** that the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Greenville NC declare its intent:

- to become a Welcoming Congregation and actively welcome gay, lesbian, bisexual, and/or transgender persons as full and valued participants in the life of the church, and
- to seek recognition as an officially designated Welcoming Congregation from the Unitarian Universalist Association.