

**FOCUS ON GREENING OF CONGREGATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the youth of the Northern Illinois Synod have sparked a healthy interest in care for creation among the congregations of this Synod; and

**WHEREAS**, the Synod’s “Green Team” has worked to increase interest in care for creation among NIS conferences and congregations; and

**WHEREAS**, a generous donation of time and talent has resulted in the training of 32 NIS congregation members to do energy audits in their respective congregations and communities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that each congregation consider completing an energy audit of all church properties by the end of 2010; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each congregation be encouraged to seek ways to reach out to other churches and non-profit agencies in their respective communities to promote care for creation in a spirit of evangelism and community service.

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**Action of the Resolution Committee**

Date of Action: April 13, 2009

Action Taken: Recommend adoption of the resolution