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Whereas, circumstances sometimes arise where local RPEC chapters must merge in order to better serve our membership; and

Whereas, many meeting venues now require payment for use of the facility or restaurant; and

Whereas, increased membership often requires a larger venue; and

Whereas, costs of gas and food have significantly increased a hardship for many retirees; and

Whereas, costs to support mailings, newsletters, and other communication means as well as printed materials for use at meetings also rise; and

Whereas, the ability to send members to important events further impacts the financial integrity of the receiving chapter; and

Whereas, financial resources are required in order to build membership and retain activist members; and

Therefore be it resolved, when chapters merge, the financial assets of the chapter that dissolves will be provided to the chapter receiving the membership of the dissolved chapter.

Submitted by Chapter 37 on August 8, 2022

Brenda Williams, President

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Committee Assignment: Resolutions Committee

Committee Recommendation: **Concur**

Convention Action: **Passed**