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ILC2020 Resolution

At a time of serious global challenges, and on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the founding of the Universal Peace Federation by the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, UPF convened its first virtual International Leadership Conference (ILC) on September 11–13, 2020. Dedicated to the theme of “Opportunity and Hope at a Time of Global Crisis: Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity and Universal Values,” our purpose was to seek solutions to current problems while also exploring new ways of envisioning our common life together as one global family. Tens of thousands of participants attended ILC2020.

The ILC2020 program was designed to be carried out concurrently in three regions: the Asia Pacific, the Americas, and Africa–Europe–Middle East. The program themes were built around the core Associations of UPF: **International Summit Council for Peace (ISCP)**, an international network of current and former heads of state and government; **International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP)**; **Interreligious Association for Peace and Development (IAPD)**; **International Association of First Ladies for Peace (IAFLP)**, coordinated in partnership with the Women’s Federation for World Peace); **International Media Association for Peace (IMAP)**; **International Association of Academicians for Peace (IAAP)**; **International Association for Peace and Economic Development**; and **International Association of Youth and Students for Peace (IAYSP)**.

The deliberations of ILC2020 were guided by the ideals of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universal values. As an outgrowth of the sessions, a variety of recommendations and proposals were advocated in hopes of overcoming critical challenges of our time, such as poverty, conflict, and environmental degradation.

We hereby summarize the core recommendations for consideration by our global UPF network, as well as by governments, NGOs, faith-based organizations, and the people of the world. These recommendations have been put forward by the UPF Regions that convened sessions of ILC2020 and by UPF Associations:

- Asia Pacific: We propose the formation of a working committee to explore prospects for the formation of a formal association or league of Asia Pacific nations, including research on the structure of the EU or the African Union;
- Africa–Europe–Middle East: We propose the formation of a working committee to explore ways of greater communication, trade and mutual benefit between Africa and its European neighbors;

- Americas: We propose the cultivation of greater partnerships of the UPF with existing multilateral institutions in the Americas to advance greater hemispheric cooperation and mutual interests in security and human development;
- ISCP: We propose the formation of three ISCP working committees for the Asia Pacific, for the Americas and for the Africa–Europe–Middle East to support and cultivate partnerships with multilateral institutions, including the United Nations in honor of its 75th anniversary;
- IAPP: We propose the formation of a working committee of parliamentarians to promote the establishment of a worldwide communication system that will act as an early-warning system for pandemics and to bring resolutions forward that allow a unified voice of parliamentarians for peace;
- IAFLP: We propose the formation of an IAFLP working committee on education to improve the quality of life of all people;
- IAPD: We propose the formation of an IAPD interfaith working committee of elders who serve as advisors, counselors and facilitators in venues of conflict, social unrest, and humanitarian disasters;
- IMAP: We propose the establishment of an IMAP working committee dedicated to creating standards of excellence and a code of ethics for journalists, publishers and social media influencers;
- IAAP: We propose the formation of an IAAP working committee to explore ways to apply principles of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universal values to specific critical problems affecting our world;
- IAED: We propose the establishment of an IAED working committee of business leaders in each of the great regions to identify opportunities for trade, investment and service to improve the quality of life of the people;
- IAYSP: We propose the development of an IAYSP educational program dedicated to the moral and social development of youth.

We ask that these proposals be given serious consideration, including feedback and suggestions. We conclude with words of gratitude to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, Co-Founder of the Universal Peace Federation, and congratulations to the Universal Peace Federation on the occasion of its 15th Anniversary.