



April 6, 2020

Re: Authority of Sessions in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to Enter into Paycheck Protection Program Loans

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to attest that pursuant to Part II of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (the Book of Order), governing bodies of local PCUSA congregations (called “sessions”) have authority in themselves to obtain loans under the CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program. There is no need for congregational approval. There is no need for approval by the higher governing body (called “presbytery”) of loans that are not secured by real property. I am the highest ecclesiastical officer in the National Capital Presbytery. I can be reached for questions at the email below.

Sincerely,

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