American Baptist Convention and National Council of Churches

WHEREAS the First Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas, voted to withhold its gifts to the American Baptist Convention until that Convention withdrew from the National Council of Churches; and

WHEREAS at its recent meeting in Rochester, New York, the American Baptist Convention voted overwhelmingly and enthusiastically to remain in the National Council of Churches; and

WHEREAS there were only 53 votes to withdraw;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, assembled at its 29th annual conference in Long Beach, California, June 20–24, 1960, commends the First Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas, for its courage to stand against the encroachments of philosophies detrimental to Christianity, and calls upon all Bible-believing churches still within the American Baptist Convention to withdraw fellowship from those religious bodies which, in leadership and policy, have denied the truths of historic Christianity.

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