

1 **OVERTURE 2** from Central Georgia Presbytery (to SJC)
2 “*BCO* 34-1 request for General Assembly to Assume Original Jurisdiction
3 in Missouri Presbytery Issue”
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5 **Whereas** TE Greg Johnson has and continues to teach that Christians can be identified as
6 homosexuals, and that those who experience same-sex temptations are not normally
7 delivered from these, and are not normally changed in nature by the LORD; and
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9 **Whereas** Memorial Presbyterian Church’s session promoted Revoice 2018, which propagates
10 these doctrines; and
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12 **Whereas** these doctrines are contrary to the clear teaching of scripture with regard to
13 sanctification as taught in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, which states that homosexual identity
14 is past tense for believers; and
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16 **Whereas** these doctrines are contrary to the Biblical doctrine of regeneration as taught in 2
17 Corinthians 5:17, which states that those who are in Christ are new creatures, and that
18 the old is passed away; and
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20 **Whereas** these doctrines are contrary to the Westminster Standards, specifically the
21 Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 13, article 1, which states that the lusts of
22 those who are regenerated and sanctified “are more and more weakened and mortified”
23 and that those so regenerated are “more and more quickened and strengthened in all
24 saving graces, to the practice of true holiness;” and
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26 **Whereas** TE Greg Johnson and the session of Memorial Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, MO,
27 were investigated by Missouri Presbytery with regard to possible theological error in
28 these teachings, and specifically in regard to the promotion of the 2018 Revoice
29 Conference and its positions on homosexuality which are contrary to the biblical,
30 confessional doctrines as stated above; and
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32 **Whereas** Missouri Presbytery found TE Greg Johnson and Memorial Presbyterian Church’s
33 session guilty of no gross theological error (as published in its May 18, 2019 report);
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36 **Whereas** *BCO* 34-1 states that two presbyteries may request that General Assembly take up
37 original jurisdiction of a case originally brought before another presbytery; and
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39 **Whereas** *RAO* 11 specifies that these presbyteries make this request by means of Overture of
40 the General Assembly; and
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42 **Whereas** *RAO* 15-4 and 17-2 would require such an overtured case to be referred to the
43 Standing Judicial Commission for action;
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1 **Therefore be it resolved** that Central Georgia Presbytery requests that the 48th General
2 Assembly assume original jurisdiction of the case of the investigation by Missouri
3 Presbytery of Greg Johnson and the session of Memorial Presbyterian Church with
4 regard to theological error and involvement in the 2018 Revoice Conference.
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6 *Adopted by Central Georgia Presbytery at its stated meeting, January 11, 2020*

7 *Attested by RE Robbin W. Morton, stated clerk*