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Motion for Consideration:

- Whereas the Board of Directors-appointed Constitution Review Task Force has made a thorough review of the existing Heartland Conference Constitution with the goal of creating a more concise, efficiently organized document that more accurately reflects the governance of the Conference;
- Whereas the Task Force's efforts have been thoroughly vetted by the Board, by UCC legal counsel, by Association leadership and by the Conference at large via listening sessions;
- Whereas an amended item by amended item revision of the existing Constitution would involve a cumbersome legislative process;
- And whereas the revisions proposed do not substantially alter the leadership covenant contained in the current Constitution; Therefore, the Heartland Conference Board of Directors recommends the proposed Substitute Constitution for adoption at the Annual Meeting/Gathering of the Conference during September 29-30, 2023 to replace the existing Constitution. The Substitute Constitution shall become effective with the close of the business plenary at which it was adopted, with the exception of Article VI, Paragraph 28, sections A and B, which addresses representatives and their terms, which shall become fully effective with the close of the business plenary of the 2024 Annual Meeting/Gathering.