### Rationale

The 2018 Global Young People’s Convocation discussed various issues that face the global church. An issue facing our current societies is the movement of persons for various reasons. The Discipline does not reflect the all human beings or draw attention to the diverse reasons individuals leave their countries of origin.

### Legislation Proposal

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**Suggested Title:** Expanding the Meaning of “Immigrant”

**Discipline Paragraph or Resolution Number, if applicable:** ¶162 H

**General Church Budget Implications:** None

**Global Implications:** Yes

**Amend ¶ 162 H as follows:**

Rights of Immigrants, Migrants, Asylum Seekers, Refugees, Undocumented Persons and Internally Displaced Persons -

We recognize, embrace, and affirm all persons, regardless of country of origin, as members of the family of God. We affirm the right of all persons to equal opportunities for employment… We urge the Church and society to recognize the gifts, contributions, and struggles of those who are immigrants, migrants, asylum seekers, refugees, undocumented persons and internally displaced persons and to advocate for justice for all.

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**Agency or Entity:** United Methodist Young People’s Convocation