

Appendix H

Pastoral Candidate Nomination Form

Nomination of Pastor for Consideration by _____ Lutheran Church, [Location] for the Office of Pastor

Michigan District, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

(Members of the congregation who wish to suggest names of pastors to be considered for our Call list are asked to complete this form. When it is completed, please give it to an elder or to the chairman of the Call committee. It will be forwarded to District President _____. Please include your name at the bottom of the form; otherwise, it cannot be recognized as valid.)

1. Having carefully and prayerfully considered the pastoral needs of our congregation, I wish to nominate the following pastor as a candidate to be considered for a Call to our church:

Name: (Please print): _____

Address: _____

(Please check The Lutheran Annual for the correct spelling and address!)

2. I believe this pastor will be good for our congregation for the following reasons:

3. Please state whether you know him personally, where, and for how long a time.

4. If you do not know him personally, state the source of your information, or the basis on which you are making your nomination:

Jesus said to His disciples, *“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest”* (Matthew 9:37–38).

We are praying that God will give our congregation another faithful pastor.

Name of person making nomination (Please print): _____ I am
a member of _____ congregation
of _____ (city), _____ (state) _____

An Email Acknowledging the Nomination

Date:

Dear [name],

Thank you for nominating [insert nominee's name] to be included in the slate of candidates to be considered for our pastoral vacancy. All the nominees will be forwarded to the District President's office for a review process. It is possible that the review process will find that the pastor you nominated is not able to consider a Call at this time. If that should occur, the nominee will not be added to the slate of candidates to be interviewed by the Call committee. Regardless of the outcome, your participation and prayers in our Call process is greatly appreciated.

God's Peace,

Chairman of the Call Committee