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Rev. Karen Brown Hope Presbyterian Church 4748 Shelbourne Road Arbutus, MD 21227 Rev. Mary Gaut Baltimore Presbytery 5400 Loch Raven Blvd Baltimore, MD 21239-2998

Dear Revs Brown and Gaut:

Greetings in the name of our Savior, Jesus the Christ! On behalf of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, it is our pleasure to officially notify you that the 253rd Synod Assembly has awarded Hope Presbyterian Church a Small Grant in the amount of \$5,000 to support its continued outreach efforts in the church's playground. The check has been issued to the Baltimore Presbytery to be presented during an upcoming presbytery meeting on behalf of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic. This presentation may be facilitated by either a Synod Commissioner or a presbytery staff member.

As stewards of these funds, it is essential that they are used exclusively for their designated purpose and within the specified period outlined in the application. Should there be any deviation from the approved plan, we kindly request that any unused portion of the grant be returned to the synod. We are committed to supporting and resourcing presbyteries and churches through the generosity of benefactors. This grant serves as a testament to the connectional nature of the PCUSA, highlighting our collective mission to strengthen and uplift our faith communities.

Enclosed with this letter, you will find a Grant Evaluation form. We kindly ask Hope Presbyterian Church to complete this form, providing a detailed account of how the funds were utilized. Additionally, we welcome any testimonials or a brief video sharing the progress and impact of this grant on your church community. Should you have any inquiries or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office via email or by calling 804.342.0016.

Thank you for your dedication to advancing our mission and ministry. We look forward to witnessing the positive outcomes of this grant investment.

With gratitude and best regards,

Partners in Mission,

Warren J. Lesane, Jr. Executive and Stated Clerk Synod of the Mid-Atlantic

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Cc: General Presbyter, Synod Commissioners – See Evaluation Form