

**Recognition of the Reverend Dr. David N. Larson's Service  
as President and CEO of  
Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan**

WHEREAS the Reverend David N. Larson has provided distinguished leadership as President and Chief Executive Officer of Lutheran Social Services (LSS) of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan since July 2002, and prior to that serving as Vice-President of resource development; and

WHEREAS Pastor Larson served as a synod representative to the LSS operating board for six years; and

WHEREAS Pastor Larson, has tirelessly urged a strong commitment to the social ministry of the church, reminding us that, "When people are at their worst, we need to be at our best"; and

WHEREAS Pastor Larson has been a leading voice of inspiration and challenge to fulfill the mission of LSS: "Motivated by the compassion of Christ, we help people improve the quality of their lives"; and

WHEREAS Pastor Larson will retire in 2018 from a career of dedicated service as a Lutheran pastor and social services leader; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the La Crosse Area Synod in assembly recognize, affirm, and celebrate the Reverend David N. Larson for his service to the church and give thanks for the thousands of lives that have been changed because of his passionate and committed leadership.

Submitted by the La Crosse Area Synod Council