CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

NOMINATION BIOGRAPHICAL SHEET

NAME OF NOMINEE: Rev. Donna Tourneur

FOR OFFICE OF: President

ADDRESS: New Glasgow, NS

PROFESSION: Ordained Minister

EDUCATION: M. Div

SERVICE IN THE CHURCH: LOCAL CHURCH(S):
We are nominating the Rev. Donna Tourner for President of Region 15. Donna's dedicated service to the region/conference spans 3 decades. Her courage in truth telling and her wisdom have made her a gift to the work of the church in the world and will make her an exceptional President. Her experience in multiple contexts of ministry gives her a depth of understanding of the struggles the church and the region are currently facing. She has a compassionate and empathetic pastoral presence; essential qualities for those representing our Region to pastoral charges and the wider community. Her love and ability to connect with people will enhance relationships between the Region and Communities of Faith.

WIDER SERVICE IN THE CHURCH INCLUDING FORMER PRESBYTERIES, CONFERENCES AND GENERAL COUNCIL:
Some of the ways she has served the church:
• By the time she was Ordained minister in 2006, she had already been in paid accountable ministry for 15 years,
• Has served rural, small town and city churches,
• Chair of Christian Life and Growth (Maritime Conference)
• Member of Conference Worship Committee
• Chair of Annual Meeting Planning Committee,
• Served on the transitional committee as we moved to regional councils,
• Member of tri-region Staff Committee
• Served as a representative to 2 General Councils,
• Served various Presbytery leadership roles including chair and secretary,

• Worked as a consultant for Emerging Spirit and Edge,
• A member of a Church Leaders Group for l'Arche International,
• And has done extensive work sponsoring refugees.

OTHER INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS RELEVANT TO THE REGION:
Most recently, Donna has found a new passion for the spiritual discipline of pilgrimage, having participated now in two programs with Camino NS. Time in nature walking the trail, and time by the ocean as her husky puppy walks her up the beach help Donna stay grounded and connected to creation.

Donna's passion for ministry continues to evolve and grow. And we cannot imagine anyone who represent our region better.

MOVER / SECONDER: Rev. Shannon MacLean / Rev. April Hart

DATE: June 9, 2023