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2 **Name: Declare the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church to be**
3 **a STOP THE BLEED® conference.**
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7 **Action:**

8 The Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church declares itself to be a STOP
9 THE BLEED® conference.

- 10 1. Encourage all members of the annual conference to take the free online training at the
11 site listed in the rationale below.
- 12 2. Provide the opportunity at the 2024 Annual Conference for free, hands-on skills training.
- 13 3. Encourage the local church to be an advocate in its community for community-wide
14 training in partnership with local police departments, fire departments, hospitals,
15 schools, etc.

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17 **Rationale:**

18 *Luke 10: Parable of the Good Samaritan*

19 ³⁶ *“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”*

20 ³⁷ *The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”*
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22 Minutes count! Someone who is severely bleeding can bleed to death in as little as 5 minutes
23 and first responders often take 8-10 minutes to arrive on scene. That’s why bleeding control –
24 keeping the blood inside the body – is the purpose of STOP THE BLEED® training. With 3
25 quick actions, you can be trained to save a life. The number 1 cause of preventable death after
26 injury is bleeding. A bleeding injury can happen anywhere. We've all seen it happen too
27 often – on the news or in everyday life. Life-threatening bleeding can happen to people injured
28 in serious accidents or disasters. Instead of being a witness, you can become an immediate
29 responder because you know how to STOP THE BLEED®. The person next to a bleeding victim
30 may very well be the one who’s most likely to save him/her/them from bleeding to death. By
31 learning how to STOP THE BLEED®, you’ll gain the ability to recognize life-threatening
32 bleeding and act quickly and effectively to control bleeding.
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34 From the Book of Discipline, The Social Principles, ¶ 162 The Social Community, (V) “Creating
35 the personal, environmental, and social conditions in which health can thrive is a joint
36 responsibility – public and private.” Let’s take up this charge and use the power of our
37 connection to make our communities safer!
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39 Stop the Bleeding Training: [stopthebleed.org \(https://www.stopthebleed.org/training/online-](https://www.stopthebleed.org/training/online-course/)
40 [course/](https://www.stopthebleed.org/training/online-course/)).