

**RESPONSIVE RESOLUTION REGARDING  
REPORT OF PRESIDENT PETER MORALES**

**WHEREAS** President Peter Morales’s Annual Report referred to communities with a “spiritual hunger” that can be fed by Unitarian Universalism, he referred to the need for multicultural competence in serving these communities, and he cited the *Strategic Review of Professional Ministries*, which states in part:

“Our UUA President, Peter Morales, believes that vibrant multicultural congregations are essential for a thriving Unitarian Universalism of the future”  
**and**

“Our ministers, religious educators and musicians must be equipped with strong multicultural competence”

**and recommended that we should**

“Strengthen RE and music credentialing and continuing education”;

**WHEREAS** some fluency in a second language is one of the paths to multicultural competency (as our Latina/Latino/Hispanic colleagues have already demonstrated) and enhances our ability to engage effectively with diverse communities,

**WHEREAS** the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the consolidation of Universalists and Unitarians offers a powerful challenge and opportunity for our meaningful presence in the future,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the General Assembly strongly urges members of congregations and religious professionals to engage in continuing education programs in the Spanish language, beginning as early as July 2011.