Board of Ministries Covenant

As a member of the Board of Ministries of American Baptist Churches of Rhode Island (ABCORI), I covenant to:

1. Serve God to the best of my ability through my work on the board.
2. Work to ensure effective governance of ABCORI and appropriate stewardship of its resources.
3. Focus on the organization’s vision and strategic direction.
4. Attend and actively participate in board meetings, as well as all meetings of any committee on which I serve. If I am hindered from attending a meeting, I will notify the president in advance.
5. Read financial reports; committee and staff reports; minutes; and other organizational information in preparation for board meetings and deliberations.
6. Keep abreast of challenges impacting or being faced by the organization.
7. Maintain high ethical standards, including avoiding actual or perceived conflicts of interest with other activities, causes, and/or organizations with which I may be involved.
8. Maintain confidentiality of board discussions.
9. Support board decisions even if I do not agree with them and share only what the board agrees to communicate externally.
10. Financially support the organization, either directly or through my church’s gift to United Mission.

I understand that American Baptist Churches of Rhode Island (ABCORI) covenants the following to me as a member of the Board of Ministries:

1. Provision of directors’ and officers’ liability insurance.
2. Access to reports and other board-related information in a timely fashion.
3. Staff support for the work of the board as coordinated through the Executive Minister.

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Signature Printed Name Date

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Signature Executive Minister Date

 on Behalf of ABCORI