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the lost for Christ.

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Dear Churches of Classis Huron,

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus! I thank you for your partnership in the gospel over the past 28 years, having initially served the church in Listowel and, for the past 15 years, serving the CRC churches in Australia in the role of advancing the CRCA missional vision to be "a church reforming to reach the lost for Christ." Over these years we have been supported by you as churches in Classis Huron as you have given me permission to continue our status in the CRCNA of being loaned temporarily to serve the CRCA while retaining my ministerial status in the Christian Reformed Church (CRCNA). I have given the CRC in Australia notice that having served CRC churches on two continents for almost 40 years, I desire to begin a new season in life, that of engaging in post-employment life and ministry, beginning 1 January 2023. I also thank the Bethel CRC of Listowel for retaining my ministerial credentials and their partnership with the CRCA to uphold the regulations regarding the CRC Pension fund.

My request to Classis Huron at this time is that you will endorse our decision to enter this next stage of life, grant me emeritus status in the CRCA effective 1 January 2023, and communicate this to the CRCNA and relevant agencies.

I have also forwarded this request to the council of Bethel CRC requesting that they endorse this request. Thank you for considering this request and I await your response.

Grace and peace,

Jack De Vries

cc: Bethel CRC Church Council