Central Bay District

3764 Fashion Square Blvd. Saginaw, MI 48603

Dear Prospective Equalization Member:

In the way of introductions, I am Denny Wissinger, and I was recently elected as the Lay Leader of the Central Bay District at the October District Conference. In this position, it is my responsibility to "recruit" District equalization members to the 2020 Michigan Annual Conference which will be held in Traverse City during the period May 28 through May 31. Accordingly, I invite you to apply to serve as an equalization member to represent our District.

As you may or may not be aware, the purpose of having equalization members is to match the number a lay members with the number of clergy who will be attending Annual Conference. Clergy not only include those in local churches, but also include ones who hold other positions throughout the District, and those who are retired.

If you are interested in serving as a District equalization member, you may complete and submit an attached application form. It is very important that you explain on the application why you would like to serve as an equalization member and what you believe you could contribute to the annual conference. You may wish to include what you consider to be your qualifications, and past experience as a lay member, whether for your local church or our District.

Please be aware that there may costs associated with serving as an equalization member, and that by submitting an application does not mean that you will automatically be selected. Determining factors would include the number of applications and your rationale for wanting to serve.

Please feel to contact me by phone or email if you have any questions, and thank you for your interest.

Yours, in Christ, Denny Wissinger Lay Leader Central Bay District 989-386-8900 (H) 989-429-4772 (C)

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CENTRAL BAY DISTRICT – MICHIGAN CONFERENCE 2020 District Equalization Member Application Form

Please fill out the requested information and mail or email the completed form by January 10, 2020 to:

Email: dowraw@charter.net **Denny Wissinger** 2431 Kapplinger Drive Farwell, MI 48622 Contact Phone: Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: ____ Address _____ Local Church: Pastor: _____ Years a member of local church: _____ <10 _____ Between 10 & 20 _____ >20 Did you attend the 2019 Annual Conference?: Yes No Age Group: ____ 12 - 17 ____ 18 - 35 ____ 36 - 65 >65 Applicant's Signature Pastor's Signature Brief summary of what you could contribute to the 2020 Michigan UMC Annual Conference (3 or 4 sentences):