BERRIEN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP WELCOMING CONGREGATION RE-CERTIFICATION, June 3, 2018

My goal at last year's annual meeting was to have BUUF re-certified as a Welcoming Congregation by this year's annual meeting. I was unable to keep that commitment, but I would like the opportunity to fulfill my commitment during the upcoming year when I anticipate having additional time to focus on this endeavor.

I was able to assemble a number of BUUFers familiar with our history and willing to work with me on re-certification. During the year BUUF has partnered with the OutCenter on many occasions, including continuing our hosting of the OutCenter Teen Halloween Party, providing the core of an LGBTQ Ally Training to BUUFers which will be expanded to include other members of our community, and providing support to the OutCenter during a permitted demonstration against the OutCenter in front of its building in Benton Harbor.

With the backing of the Board and the Fellowship, I would like to have the opportunity to complete my commitment to have BUUF re-certified as a Welcoming Congregation during this upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted, Dave Sarra