



Moved/Seconded/Passed on September 30, 2022

Resolution in Support of Indigenous Values in Training toward Ordination.

Whereas, the Episcopal Diocese of Alaska, meeting in its 47th Convention in Anchorage, Alaska renews its support for the 2019 Resolution in Support of Training Native Men and Women for Ordained Ministry.

Be it resolved that the Episcopal Diocese of Alaska through the Commission on Ministry or other committee will form or establish resource within and without Alaska with a sensitivity towards Indigenous Culture and Knowledge.

Be it further resolved that all training incorporate, teach, and respect these values in the teaching, preaching, and spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Be it further resolved that the committee actively encourage Indigenous and community-based persons equally in the process towards ordination and progress in the process. When ordained these persons should be directed or encouraged to serve in under-served communities.

And it be further resolved that the Commission appointed in this matter shall report on the status of the progress on the resolution at the 48th Diocesan Convention.

Unanimously passed at the 2022 Interior Annual Deanery Meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

The Interior Deanery of The Episcopal Diocese of Alaska



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Resolution on Alaska's General Convention Deputation

Whereas the deputation from the Diocese of Alaska to General Convention 80, reflecting upon our experiences of this and other General Conventions, notices that

- Serving as a General Convention deputy is a physically demanding task.
 - At times, our deputation's voice is diminished by deputies' physical needs; other times, a person is unwilling to serve as a deputy because of the grueling schedule.
- General Convention allows participation of registered alternates.
 - Many dioceses use alternate deputies to alleviate the physical toll on deputies and to help develop a more diverse (and often, a younger) deputation.

Be it resolved, therefore, that the Diocese of Alaska, as possible, commit to sending a full deputation plus two (2) alternates – one lay and one clergy – to each General Convention; and

Further, be it resolved that appropriate line items in the diocesan budget be increased by 25% to fund this larger deputation; and

And further, be it resolved that these two additional alternates may be chosen from among those elected as described in Canon 8.2, with careful consideration in selecting alternates to ensure a delegation that is diverse in geography, gender, age, life experiences, and new and experienced deputies.

Respectfully submitted by,

The 2022 80th General Convention Deputation

The Rev. Mary Norton
The Rev. Michael Burke
The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron
The Rev. Julie Platson
Mr. Dan Hall
Mr. Paul Williams, Jr.
Ms. Alice Holinger
Mr. Adam Lees



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Resolution Supporting The Episcopal Church’s Truth Telling about Indigenous Boarding Schools

Whereas, the Eightieth General Convention of The Episcopal Church, meeting from July 8-11 in Baltimore, Maryland, unanimously approved resolution A127 “Telling the Truth about The Episcopal Church’s History with Indigenous Boarding Schools” (<https://www.vbinder.net/resolutions/200?house=HD&lang=en>); and

Whereas, resolves 7 and 8 of resolution A127 state:

Resolved, That the dioceses of The Episcopal Church will be strongly encouraged to, before the 81st General Convention, begin an audit of the relationship, financial or otherwise, between the federal government, the diocese and/or its subsidiary entities, its churches, and any Episcopal or non-Episcopal missionary societies with respect to any Indigenous residential boarding school operated within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That the dioceses of The Episcopal Church will be strongly encouraged to, before the 81st General Convention, begin to gather information from boarding school survivors and their descendants about the experiences of Indigenous children and families in Episcopal run and/or supported residential boarding schools within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and

Be it therefore resolved, that the Convention of the Diocese of Alaska direct the Standing Committee to put together a plan and budget to support the work identified in the above resolves here in Alaska to include at a minimum research into archives of the diocese, the various congregations of this diocese, and the State of Alaska; and

Be it further resolved, that this plan be reported in time for the 2023 Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Alaska; and

Be it further resolved, that the funding identified in this plan be included in the budget to be presented to the 2023 Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Alaska; and

Be it further resolved, that congregations are strongly urged to assist deaneries and other diocesan bodies in inviting and recognizing self-identifying boarding school survivors and their descendants in Alaska whether or not they are members of any congregation and gently encouraging them to share their stories; and that organizers make provisions for a wide range of accessible and culturally competent mental health and trauma-informed supports during this process, in order to provide safety for all, and

Be it further resolved, that the congregations of this diocese are urged to include a prayer for survivors and their descendants during their intercessory prayers on the Sunday closest to Indigenous Peoples’ Day, which is October 9th this year.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mr. Adam Lees
2022 80th General Convention Deputy