

The Committee received no resolutions for consideration at the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas.

**Courtesy Resolutions of the 171st Annual Council of the
Episcopal Diocese of Texas**

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas

WHEREAS, the Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas in 1874 asked the General Convention to assume jurisdiction over “that portion of the state generally known as ‘Western Texas,’” for the purpose of forming the Missionary Diocese of West Texas; and

WHEREAS, during its 144-year life, the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas has been a blessing on all people within its jurisdiction, providing for the church gifted spiritual leaders and caring pastors; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, the Mother Church, sends its greetings and blessings to the bishops, clergy and people of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas, giving thanks for our continued partnership in the proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ’s Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Larry R. Benfield, Bishop of Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ’s Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. George R. Sumner, Bishop of Episcopal Diocese of Dallas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. James Scott Mayer, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to the The Rt. Rev. Cathleen Chittenden Bascom, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. James Scott Mayer, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Dr. Edward J. Konieczny, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Michael Buerkel Hunn, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of West Missouri

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of West Missouri.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. David Reed, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Mark Andrew Cowell, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, of the Episcopal Church and Province VII of this Church; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values its membership in these bodies and its place in the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Jacob W. Owensby, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana.

Greetings to the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, a companion diocese with said diocese; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values mutually transformative, long-lasting relationships that cross cultural and geographic boundaries for the sake of the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota.

Greetings to the Anglican Diocese of Southern Malawi

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, a companion diocese with said diocese; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values mutually transformative, long-lasting relationships that cross cultural and geographic boundaries for the sake of the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Alinafe Kalemba of the Anglican Diocese of Southern Malawi.

Greetings to La Iglesia Episcopal Costarricense

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and more particularly, a companion diocese with said diocese; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas values mutually transformative, long-lasting relationships that cross cultural and geographic boundaries for the sake of the wider ministry of Christ's Church; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, assembled in Waco, Texas, instructs the Secretary of the Council to send greetings to The Rt. Rev. Orlando Gómez Segura of La Iglesia Episcopal Costarricense.

Greetings to Seminarians and Iona Students

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas currently has fourteen seminarians preparing for Holy Orders attending the Seminary of the Southwest, Virginia Theological Seminary, Duke Divinity, Yale Divinity, and Sewanee School of Theology, as well as nineteen students preparing for Holy Orders attending the Iona School for Ministry; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Diocese be requested to write each student to convey to him or her the best wishes of the 171st Annual Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas and a reminder that each has been remembered in the prayers of the Council.

On the Retirement of Clergy

WHEREAS, the Reverends Robert Bliss, John Carr, John Himes, Ronald Pogue, David Scheider, Merrill Wade, Paul Wehner, and Portia Sweet have faithfully served the Church and this diocese through their ministries in parishes, institutions, and boards; and

WHEREAS, these clergy retired from the active ministry during 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas has been richly blessed by their gifts in the service of our Lord; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas gives glory to God for their faithful witness and wishes them well in this new stage of life in Christ.

On the Retirement of Diocesan Staff

WHEREAS Julie Heath and Laura Krustchinsky, Nick Puccio, and Francene Young have faithfully served the Episcopal Diocese of Texas through their ministries; and

WHEREAS, as members of the Diocesan Staff they retired during the year 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Texas has been richly blessed by their gifts in the service of our Lord; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas gives glory to God for their faithful witness and wishes them well in this new stage of life in Christ.

In Honor of Council Management Committee

WHEREAS, the people of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas saw fit to gather in Waco, Texas, home to many vibrant and thriving ministries of our Diocese; and

WHEREAS, the Diocese is thankful for the outstanding service of the Council Management Committee under the coordination of Mary Cloud, as well as for the fine work of the Diocesan staff, clergy and laity, including countless volunteers from across the Diocese of Texas; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 171st Annual Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas gives praise to God for the dedicated ministry of the Council Management Committee members, including the Rev. Canon Christine M. Faulstich, Chair; Mary Cloud, Diocesan Council Coordinator; David Harvin, Chancellor ex officio; the Rev. William Fowler, Chair for the Dispatch of Business ex officio; Nicholas S. Johnson, The Rev. Ken Fields, Susan Duif, Tammy Tiner, The Rev. Chad Martin, and Rob Montgomery.
Jimmy Grace, Chair