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Resolutions

Resolution A189: Revision of Canon XXI on Marriage – Revision of Canon re: marriage of all legally qualified persons. The resolution was adopted in the order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity.

House of Bishops' Statement to Members of General Synod – Presented by the Rt. Rev. Patrick Yu who explained that the statement of April 30, 2007 which came to the Synod as a Memorial was an attempt to address the Synod when there is no consensus in the Church on the question of the blessings of same-sex unions. The resolution arising from the Statement is **Resolution A224:** that General Synod welcome the **October 26, 2006** statement of the House of Bishops. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of Bishops and in the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A190: Membership of Primates and Presiding Bishops in the Anglican Consultative Council – ex officio membership of Primates on ACC. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of Bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A021: (first reading) continued: Amendment to the Declaration of Principles to make membership and procedures easier to amend. A friendly amendment was accepted. **Motion:** refer to Council of General Synod. The resolution to refer was **carried** in both the order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A022 (revised): (first reading) Governance re: amendments of Declaration of Principles, Constitution and Canons respecting worship and discipline. **Motion:** refer to Council of General Synod. The resolution to refer was **carried** both in order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A061: a companion to A022, it was withdrawn.

Nominations Report #2
Bishop Sue Moxley presented the report and responded to questions. The report was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A188: Consultation with dioceses regarding provincial and diocesan organization. Friendly amendment: insert after the word “might” the words “enhance the mission and...” The resolution to refer was **carried** both in order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity. The report

was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Partner's Reflection

Dr. Karen Hamilton of the Canadian Council of Churches brought greetings. She referred members to the website of the Council for further information.

Resolution A226: Principles of Common Worship Texts. Friendly amendment. Delete the words “common worship texts revision” and replace them with the words “revision of our contemporary language worship texts and the creation of fresh liturgical expressions.” The resolution was **carried** in both the house of clergy and laity and the order of bishops

Resolution A213: Millennium Development Goals. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A263: Amendment to the Long Term Disability Pre-2005 Document. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A264: Adoption of the new Long Term Disability Plan and subsequent amendments to the Regulations. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A020 (second reading): Declaration of Principles – Eligibility of Clergy of Churches in full communion with the ACC. The resolution was **carried** in both the house of clergy and laity and in the order of bishops.

Resolution A040: The Constitution – Eligibility (see Resolution A020 above). The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A210: International campaign to abolish nuclear weapons. The resolution was **carried** in both the house of clergy and laity and in the order of bishops.

Announcements

Amendments to the Council of General Synod Member List: In British Columbia and the Yukon – change Mr. Randall Fairey to Dr. Randall Fairey and change the member from the Anglican Military Ordinariate of Canada to Col. the Ven. Karl McLean.

Noon Reflections

Led by our Partner from the ELCIC, the Rev. Sonja Free.

Afternoon Session

Resolution A222: Ecumenical Participation in Ordinations. The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A212: Support of partners in the Middle East. A friendly amendment to delete the word “Palestine” in the second bullet of clause 1 and replace it with “the Province of the Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.” The resolution was **carried** in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution A240: Duties and Functions of the Primate. The resolution was

carried in both the order of bishops and the house of clergy and laity.

Resolution C002: Ban the use of tobacco products. The resolution was **defeated** in both the house of clergy and laity and in the order of bishops.

Introduction of the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church (USA)

The Primate introduced the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori who spoke of her relationships with members of the ACC and also in support of the Millennium Development Goals.

Resolution C003: Study of Human Sexuality. **Amendment** to add a new point four as follows. “4. Request the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to develop a process to engage dioceses and parishes of the Anglican Church of Canada in a study of a Christian perspectives, reason, tradition and current scientific understanding”. The **amendment** was **carried** in both the order of bishops and in the house of clergy and laity. **Friendly Amendment:** add following the word “Commission” in section 1 the following: “to consult with dioceses and parishes and...” **Amendment:** delete in clause 3. the words “within the current teaching of the church. The **amendment** was defeated in both the house of clergy and laity and in the order of bishops. The **amended resolution** was **passed** in the house of clergy and laity and in the order of bishops.

Omnibus Resolution

That the remaining resolutions be sent to the Council of General Synod for consideration. The resolution was **carried** in the house of clergy and laity and the order of bishops.

Motions of Thanks

Dion Lewis and Laura Walton-Clouston expressed deep appreciation to the people, both staff and volunteers who contributed to the organization, hosting, leadership, guidance, worship and program of General Synod 2007.

The Primate announced the prorogation of the 38th General Synod and that the installation of the 13th Primate would be at St. Matthew’s Church, Winnipeg at 7:30 pm.