GENERAL SYNOD 2019 RESOLUTION

Resolution Number A102

Subject: Process to Re-Examine the Mission of General Synod

Moved By: Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner Seconded By: The Very Rev. Peter Wall

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

Direct the Council of General Synod to develop and initiate a process to re-examine the mission of General Synod in relation to the dioceses and provinces, including the self-determining Indigenous Church, with a goal to allow the structures of General Synod to best enable and serve God's mission.

Source: Council of General Synod

Submitted By: Council of General Synod

Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes No

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes No

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND

The Resolution originates from the outgoing CoGS arising out of real concerns with respect to current financial realities and changes in the support that General Synod receives from dioceses. It asks General Synod to task the incoming CoGS with developing a process to re-examine the mission of General Synod and how that relates to the dioceses, provinces and the Indigenous Church. It anticipates engaging all parties in realistic discussions about how future structures of the General Synod will enable and best serve God's mission.

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTION (G)

In the normal course, an ordinary motion must be passed by a majority of the members of General Synod present and voting together. Six members of General Synod may, prior to the question being put, require a vote by Orders, with a majority of each Order being necessary to pass.

If a question passes on a Vote by Orders, any six members (two from each of three different dioceses) may immediately before the next item of business require a vote to be taken by dioceses. A motion passes if a majority (or a tie) of dioceses vote in favour.

Source: Sections 4 and 5 of the Declaration of Principles and sections 18, 19 and 20 of the Rules of Order and Procedure.