**PROVINCE III MEMORIAL FOR PRESENTATION TO GENERAL CONVENTION**

Resolved, by the Synod of Province III of The Episcopal Church, meeting at Martinsburg, West Virginia, on May 2, 2022, that we support action by the 80th General Convention, scheduled in Baltimore, Maryland from July 7-14, 2022, to adopt legislation consistent with our Baptismal Covenant’s commitment to strive for justice and peace among all people and to respect the dignity of every human being, BCP. P. 305, specifically for the following objectives:

* Support for efforts to redress the effects of past discrimination by The Episcopal Church, its rules, its Dioceses, leaders and people, against non-white congregations, clergy, and people;
* Support for national legislation to fight suppression of voting, particularly by racial minorities, poor people, and people whose disabilities make it harder for them to vote;
* Support for governmental and private measures seeking to improve the delivery of health care so that stark racial and economic differences in the rates of death and illness demonstrated by the Covid-19 pandemic are eliminated;
* Support for federal and state legislation to imprison convicted criminals less often and for shorter periods, particularly for drug offenses, to reduce the use of cash bail systems, and to abolish private prisons;
* Support for measures by The Episcopal Church to
	+ tell the full story of past racial discrimination against non-white people, such as it might do by promoting wider use of the Sacred Ground curriculum
	+ to conduct and disseminate accurate historical reporting about church support for slavery and racial segregation, and about the conduct of its Native American boarding schools.

Resolved, That the Provincial Coordinator of Province III shall file this resolution with the Secretary of General Convention as a Memorial from Province III under the provisions of the House of Deputies Rules of Order, Section VII.D.

Respectfully submitted,

Province 3 Synod