

RESOLUTION 2021-001

TO INITIATE THE PROCESS FOR THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP COADJUTOR

Submitted by the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Florida

Whereas,

The 178th convention of The Episcopal Diocese of Florida offers gratitude to God for the leadership of God's servant Samuel Johnson Howard as its Eighth Bishop Diocesan; and

Whereas,

This convention supports Bishop Howard's outline for the orderly plan for an Episcopal Election; and

Whereas,

This convention has confidence in the good work of its Standing Committee over the next two years, to lead the Diocese in a faithful search process for the Ninth Bishop of Florida; therefore

Be it resolved,

That this convention pledges its faithful discernment, its steadfast prayer, its diligence in ministry, and its submission to the Holy Spirit in this season of transition; and

Be it further resolved,

That this convention authorizes the Standing Committee to proceed with all such steps as are necessary for an Episcopal discernment process, including but not limited to the forming of a search committee, the development of rules for an election process, and the conducting of such work as will allow for the publication of a search profile; and,

Be it further resolved,

That the ministry of the Bishop Coadjutor, as outlined by Bishop Howard, will commence no later than Nov. 5, 2022.