

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2009  
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

**RESOLUTION NO.:** 2009-C058  
**TITLE:** Commend Manteo and Virginia Dare to LFF  
**PROPOSER:** Diocese of North Carolina  
**COMMITTEE:** Prayer Book, Liturgy & Church Music

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**Directly Related:** (attached)

None

**Indirectly Related:**

None

*In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions of General Convention for the period 1976 through 2006, selecting "direct" resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. Committee members who are interested in obtaining copies of "indirectly related" resolutions, legislative history before 1976, or who require other research assistance should contact the Archives at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.*

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1 *Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 76th General Convention commend  
 2 the names of Manteo and Virginia Dare to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and  
 3 Music for its consideration of the possible addition of Manteo and Virginia Dare to the  
 4 Calendar of The Episcopal Church, recognizing August 18th, the date of Virginia Dare's  
 5 birth, as the date of commemoration, and request that it report on this matter to the 77th  
 6 General Convention.  
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EXPLANATION:

Manteo was a chief of a tribe of coastal Algonquians who, in the 16th Century, inhabited the inner banks and barrier islands of what is now North Carolina. He traveled to London in 1584 and, on August 13, 1587, was baptized at the first English settlement in the New World on Roanoke Island. At his baptism he was named Lord of Roanoke. Manteo's baptism is the first recorded Christian sacrament according to Anglican rites in the New World. Ten days later, Virginia Dare was baptized. She was the first child born of English parents in the New World. The child's mother, Eleanor, was the daughter of John White, governor of the colony. Her father, Ananias Dare, served as one of the governor's assistants. Virginia was born on August 18, 1587, just days after the colonists arrived on Roanoke Island. Her baptism took place on the following Sunday, August 23. A Commemoration of the Baptisms of Manteo and Virginia Dare took place on August 17, 2008, at the site of the "Lost Colony" on Roanoke Island near the Town of Manteo in the Diocese of East Carolina, and the Diocese has added a local commemoration to its liturgical calendar. Collect O God, you have created every human being in your image and each one is precious in your sight: Grant that in remembering the baptisms of Manteo and Virginia Dare, we may grow in honoring your gift of diversity in human life; become stronger in living out our own baptismal vow to respect the dignity of every human being; and bring into the fellowship of the risen Christ those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen. Readings Ecclesiastes 1:4-7 Psalm 33:13-15, 18-22 Ephesians 2:13-22 or Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:14-18 Color: White Proper Preface: Baptism

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