

Resolution Number: 1994-D009

Title: Reaffirm Family Planning and Control of Global Population

Growth

Legislative Action Taken: Concurred As Amended

Final Text:

Resolved, That the 1994 General Convention of the Episcopal Church affirm that rapid global population growth adversely affects the prospects for peace and justice by exacerbating poverty, deprivation and suffering, and depleting environmental resources; and be it further Resolved, That the Episcopal Church reaffirm the 1930 Lambeth Conference of the Anglican communion, which approved contraception for purposes of family planning; and be it further Resolved, That the Episcopal Church, in order to improve the quality of life for all, commend to the several dioceses and agencies of the Episcopal Church as well as to the relative structures of the Anglican Communion programs and projects to provide information to all men and women on the full range of affordable, acceptable, safe, and non-coercive contraceptive and reproductive health care services, utilizing educational programs which start with parents and their children; and be it further

Resolved, That governments everywhere be encouraged to recognize, acknowledge and seek remedies to reverse the rapid global population growth that adversely affects the health, education and quality of life of women; the prospects for peace; and depletes environmental resources; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the 1994 General Convention be requested to send a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Vice-President of the United States, the Undersecretary for Global Affairs of the Department of State, the chairman of the International Conference on Population and Development, the representative of the Anglican Consultative Council to the United Nations, the Secretary General of the United States Catholic Conference, the Administrator of USAID, and the Secretary General of the United Nations, together with a letter expressing the hope that the actions proposed above be carried out world-wide.

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Indianapolis, 1994 (New York: General Convention, 1995), pp. 281-82.