

Resolution Number: 1982-A062

Title: Request Dioceses and Congregations to Establish Committees on

Racism

Legislative Action Taken: Concurred As Amended

Final Text:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this 67th General Convention of the Episcopal Church request every Diocese and local congregation to create a Committee on Racism, with assisting material to be provided by the staff of the Episcopal Church Center. The initial agenda for each Committee might include:

- 1. To study, identify, and confront the root cause of racism in all people, systems, and institutions; to produce educational programs and to advocate economic and political reforms, working with religious and other groups in the community;
- 2. To lend support for truly desegregated communities, schools, and houses of worship;
- 3. To encourage, recruit, and deploy minority people in all professions on a non-discriminatory basis, particularly within the Church;
- 4. To apply a collective imagination for the creation of new jobs, including training programs in job skills and work discipline, that are characterized by equality of opportunity from the top to bottom.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, New Orleans,* 1982 (New York: General Convention, 1983), p. C-134.