

General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2022 Archives' Research Report

Resolution No.: 2022-A023
Title: Direct Inclusion of Asset Mapping Question in the Parochial Report
Proposer: Standing Commission on World Mission
Topic: Parochial Reports

Directly Related: (Attached)

2018-A053 Simplify and Improve Usability of Parochial Report
2018-A058 Call for Completion of Episcopal Asset Map Profile
2018-A208 Amend Canon I.1.2(n) [Standing Commissions]

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

None

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2018, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#) or call 800-525-9329.

A023 - Direct Inclusion of Asset Mapping Question in the Parochial Report

Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring,

That the General Convention direct the Executive Officer of General Convention to add to the Parochial Report the following question and instructions for responding affirmatively to capture the diversity of God's mission in the world:

"Have you completed or reviewed your profile of domestic and global mission activities on the Episcopal Asset Map, a joint project of The Episcopal Church and Episcopal Relief & Development?"

Explanation

2018-A058 challenged all congregations to complete their profiles on the Episcopal Asset map. The Episcopal Asset Map is the "Find a Church" and "Find a Ministry" tool of the Episcopal Church. To be effective, the Asset Map requires updating. The Parochial Report provides a tool for reminding congregations to complete or update their profiles as well as promoting the usefulness of the Asset Map in responding to the call to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

The first item of the mandate for the Standing Commission for World Mission (Resolution 2018-A208) is to identify the global mission work carried out by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, dioceses, congregations, and mission organizations throughout the church. This ongoing activity would be more effective and current if parishes noted and updated their global mission engagements on the Episcopal Asset Map.

The identification of global mission engagements also supports the work of the Office of Global Partnerships. Understanding the scope and character of these global mission engagements enables communications among parishes and dioceses with similar ministries and provides useful direction for the Office of Global Partnerships and the Global Episcopal Mission Network to provide resources and support for these relationships.



Resolution Number: 2018-A053

Title: Simplify and Improve Usability of Parochial Report

Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Amended

Final Text:

Resolved, That the 79th General Convention charge the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church to work with the Office of the General Convention and Executive Council to design a simplified parochial report relevant to the diversity of The Episcopal Church's participation in God's mission in the world; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church solicit input from critical parochial report stakeholders including: (1) data providers to ensure that the data is easily collected and compiled and (2) data users to ensure that the data collected is relevant to their work; and be it further

Resolved, That the user interface be improved both for entering data and downloading data and to provide an application programming interface to allow data to be integrated into other networked tools for broader sharing and analysis.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Austin, 2018* (New York: General Convention, 2018), p. 362.



Resolution Number: 2018-A058

Title: Call for Completion of Episcopal Asset Map Profile

Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Amended

Final Text:

Resolved, That the 79th General Convention challenge all congregations to fully complete their profile on the Episcopal Asset Map, a joint project of The Episcopal Church and Episcopal Relief & Development.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Austin, 2018* (New York: General Convention, 2018), p. 363.



Resolution Number: 2018-A208
Title: Amend Canon I.1.2(n) [Standing Commissions]
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Substituted
Final Text:

Resolved, That Canon I.1.2(n) be amended as follows:

(3) A Standing Commission on World Mission. It shall be the duty of the Commission to:

- (i) Identify the global mission work carried out by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, dioceses, congregations and mission organizations throughout the church.*
- (ii) Consult with the above bodies to envision future directions for the church's global engagement.*
- (iii) Develop policy proposals for world mission for consideration by General Convention.*
- (iv) Discharge such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned by the General Convention.*

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to appropriate \$90,000 to fund the work of the Standing Commission on World Mission for the 2019-21 triennium.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Austin, 2018* (New York: General Convention, 2018), p. 543.