## General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2024 Archives' Research Report

**Resolution No.:** 2024-A095

**Title:** Continue the Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy

**Proposer:** Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy

**Topic:** Liturgy, Reconciliation

**Directly Related:** (Attached)

2022-A141 Create a Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy and Develop Liturgical Resources

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 2022, 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.

## A095 - Continue the Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy

Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No Requests New Interim Body: Yes Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib: No

**Directs Dfms Staff**: No **Directs Dioceses**: No

**Directs Executive Council**: No

HiA: No House Assigned

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: No Committee Assigned

Completion Status: Incomplete Latest House Action: N/A Supporting Documents: No

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That the work of the Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy continue through the next triennium 2025-2027 and be funded for 300,000 to continue the work.

## **Explanation**

That the Church participated in the loss of Indigenous languages, cultures and traditions so this is important work of restorative justice on behalf of the whole Church.



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**Title:** Create a Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy and Develop Liturgical

Resources

**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred

**Final Text:** 

Resolved, That, on the homelands of the Piscataway, Nentego (Nanticoke), and Susquehannock peoples, the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church creates an intentional effort to value and embrace Native and Indigenous liturgy and spirituality. This General Convention calls for a Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy to document and develop culturally appropriate liturgical materials that reflect the Native and Indigenous spirituality that can then be used in Native and Indigenous faith communities; and be it further

Resolved, That these liturgical resources would honor and uphold the original stewards of our land and the deep connection with Great Spirit and Earth, written in and/or referencing the traditional languages, incorporating the cultural customs, stories, and beliefs, and that address the current needs of the Native and Indigenous faith communities; and be it further Resolved, That this Task Force would up to 20 persons, majority Native and Indigenous identified, be appointed jointly by the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop. Members would reflect a geographically diverse representation from the Church and tribal affiliations. This membership would include Native spirituality theologians, liturgy developers, and practitioners. Laity would make up half of the entire membership. 1 member would overlap with the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to be a liaison; and be it further

Resolved, That these liturgical resources would be curated and developed with the consultation of the Native American Ministries Council of Advice and presented for review during the Winter Talk 2023 and 2024 gatherings; and be it further

Resolved, That the plans for this collection be presented to the 81st General Convention as a model for culturally-informed worship and contextual theology; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$200,000 for the implementation of this resolution and Task Force.

**Citation:** General Convention, Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church,

Baltimore, 2022 (New York: General Convention, 2023), pp. 852-853.