

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

Resolution No.: 2024-A127
Title: Establish a Working Group to Update Biographies in Lesser Feasts and Fasts
Proposer: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music
Topic: Church Calendar, Lesser Feasts/Fasts

Directly Related: (Attached)

None

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](#).

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Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib: Yes

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

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 81st General Convention authorize the creation of a small working group of church historians to review the biographies in Lesser Feasts and Fasts, taking note of changes in scholarship that have occurred since many of the biographies were first approved, and make any appropriate revisions; and be it further

Resolved, That the working group also examine any role that figures commemorated on the calendar might have had in issues including (but not limited to) the slave trade, indigenous boarding schools, and segregation, and recommend ways to appropriately address any concerns that are identified; and be it further

Resolved, That the working group report through the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music, and be given two triennia to fully complete its work