

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2018
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO.: 2018-C007
TITLE: Commend and Reconcile Baptismal Covenant to Reflect Our Unity With All
Creation
PROPOSER: Navajoland Area Mission
TOPIC: Liturgy

Directly Related: (Attached)

2015-C015 Refer a Resolution to Amend the Baptismal Covenant

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

2015-A058 Authorize Liturgical Materials Honoring God in Creation
2009-C034 Refer a Resolution to Develop a Pentecost Season Creation Cycle
1991-A195 Affirm Environmental Responsibility and an Environmental Stewardship Team

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1976 through 2015, 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 at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.

C007 Commend and Reconcile Baptismal Covenant to Reflect Our Unity With All Creation

Proposer	Diocese of Navajoland Area Mission
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RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 79th General Convention authorize the trial addition to the Baptismal covenant of a sixth question concerning our responsibility as baptized Christians to care for God’s creation; and be it further
- 2 *Resolved*, That the additional question and response be worded as follows:
- 3 “Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?”
- 4 “I will, with God’s help”;
- 5 and be it further
- 6 *Resolved*, That use of this additional question and response be authorized for trial use as part of the Baptismal Covenant for the triennium 2019-2021.

EXPLANATION

No explanation.



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Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

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Resolved, That the additional question and response be worded as follows:

"Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

I will, with God's help." ; and be it further

Resolved, That use of this additional question and response be authorized for trial use as part of the Baptismal Covenant for the triennium 2016-2018.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Salt Lake City, 2015* (New York: General Convention, 2015), p. 841.