



Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

APPLICATION FOR THE PROVISIONAL BLESSING OF SAME-SEX RELATIONSHIPS

2012 General Convention resolution A049

“Liturgical Resources I: I Will Bless You and You Will Be a Blessing”

(effective Advent I - 2 December 2012)

1. Congregation: _____
Mailing address: _____
2. Priest requesting consent: _____
3. Names of individuals: _____
4. Is either or both individuals a member of your congregation? _____
Baptized? _____, _____; Confirmed? _____, _____
How long have these persons been in relationship? _____
5. Have either of these persons been married to another person? Yes _____ No _____
6. Has the divorce decree been final for one year? _____ If not, are you satisfied that this is not too rushed? _____
7. Have you seen the divorce decree(s) involved? _____
8. Are you convinced that all legal and financial obligations to any previous spouses and children are being met? _____
9. When was this request made? _____
10. Date of the proposed blessing: _____
11. Are you giving instruction to the couple? _____ Are you using another counselor? _____
12. Will the blessing take place on church grounds? _____ Where? _____
13. Do you have doubts about this proposed union but are unable for pastoral reasons to refuse to officiate and need the Bishop to withhold approval? _____
14. Do you think the blessing of this union is an honest effort by these persons intending to live out a faithful and lifelong union with each other? _____

Priest's signature

Date

Bishop's Approval/Disapproval

Date