

September 21, 2023

Standing Committee
Diocese of Florida
325 Market Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202
Attn: The Rev. Joe Gibbes

Dear Rev. Gibbes:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Florida has requested the support of the Diocese of Florida Convention Committee on Charter and Canons of a possible means of addressing an additional issue relating to Diocesan Convention.

Specifically, the Standing Committee would like to honor and allow all 2023 nominations, both those received prior to 12/31/2022 and those received pursuant to summer 2023 diocesan communication.

Canon 3, Section 4, provides a December 31 prior year deadline for nominations. However, Canon 31, Section 1, provides that an "alteration" to Canon may be considered if the Convention Committee on Charter and Canons recommends the alteration to Canon. The Standing Committee proposes to support the following resolution by the Nominations Committee at Diocesan Convention on November 11, 2023

RESOLVED, that, for the sole purpose of and use at the November 11, 2023 Diocesan Convention, Canon 3, Section 4, of the Canons of the Diocese of Florida be altered so as to accept as timely made both i) nominations compliant with all other canon requirements and received prior to December 31, 2022 in anticipation of a January 28, 2023 Diocesan Convention and ii) nominations compliant with all other canon requirements and received prior to August 15, 2023 pursuant to July 14, 2023 diocesan communication.

After polling our committee, I can report that it unanimously supports and recommends this one-time, temporary "alteration" of Canon 3, Section 4. In part we concur that it provides a way of being more economical with time rather than requiring the summer 2023 nominations to be brought one-by-one on the convention floor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lee S. Haramis, Sr.', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lee S. Haramis, Sr.
Chair, Convention Committee on
Charter and Canons