

## Resolution 6

Asking the Standing Committee as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the  
Diocese of Florida to begin the process for the election of a Bishop  
Diocesan

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**Whereas** the Diocese is functioning without a Bishop Diocesan.

**Whereas** the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Florida functioning as the Ecclesiastical Authority has done a commendable job in moving the diocese forward with improved communication, transparency and leading us through convocations in order to better understand each other across our theological and contextual differences.

**Whereas** as the healing process continues in terms of relationships across the diocese; this healing can coincide with starting the election process for a new Bishop Diocesan.

**Whereas** there are a number of significant ministries that are in need of a Diocesan Bishop's leadership: Building a diocesan staff and culture, recruiting A-list clergy, raising up and developing a new generation of home-grown ordained leaders, bringing Camp Weed and the Cerveney Conference Center to a sustainable operation, and who will cast and instill a unifying vision for how we are to be the church in a changing world.

**Resolved,** that this resolution serves the purpose to request that the Standing Committee as Ecclesiastical Authority in the Diocese of Florida act with haste to begin the process of creating a search process for electing

our next Bishop for the Diocese of Florida.

**Be It Further Resolved,** that the necessary; structures, committees, data gathering entities be formed without delay