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Resolution #1

Partnership with the Diocese of Brasília

Resolved, That the Diocese of Indianapolis, acknowledges the importance of a continued partnership with the Diocese of Brasília and sets forth an agreement hereafter known as The Covenant of the Companion Partnership between The Diocese of Indianapolis, The Episcopal Church, USA and The Diocese of Brasília, The Episcopal Church, Brazil;

And be it further

Resolved, That this Covenant agreement is established as a five-year renewable Covenant agreement, to be in effect from the date of signing and reviewed during the third year, in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the agreement;

And be it further

Resolved, That either Diocese (Indianapolis or Brasília) may terminate this Covenant agreement at any time through written notice, with termination not to be extended more than 180 days from the time of written notification.

Explanation:

The Diocese of Indianapolis and The Diocese of Brasília have had a significant relationship spanning over two decades, and established a Covenant agreement in 2012. There is significant benefit to a continued relationship between the two Dioceses, through conversation, ministry exchange, lay and clergy visitations, joint-ministries, and shared resources; the relationship has been fortified since 2015.

A new Covenant agreement between the Diocese of Indianapolis and the Diocese of Brasília employing The Five Marks of Mission and Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations, has been approved by the Global Mission Commission and Executive Council of the Diocese of Indianapolis, as well as both the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows of The Diocese of Indianapolis and the Rt. Rev. Mauricio Andrade of the Diocese of Brasília.

The Rev. Jeffrey Bower
Global Missions

Resolution #2

Narcan Placement and Training in Congregations and Institutions of the Diocese of Indianapolis

Resolved, That all congregations and institutions of the Diocese of Indianapolis have Narcan available on their premises and work with health professionals to provide training to the people who gather, pray, and serve them for the use of this life-saving medicine;

And be it further

Resolved, That all congregations and institutions engage in prayer and education about this public health crisis and the ways of response that will support people in crisis and work to overcome the crisis' devastating effects. All congregations and institutions are to have this in place by the year 2021.

Explanation:

People are dying in Indiana: in our communities and among our families and friends. There is an urgent need for a response. This resolution to the Convention of the Diocese of Indianapolis asks for practices, actions, prayer, and learning that align with the resolution passed by the 79th General Convention (see below). The resolution specifically calls for the availability of Narcan and necessary training for its emergency use on the premises of all congregations and institutions of the Diocese of Indianapolis.

The Rev. Dr. Jackie Means

Resolution Text C037 from the 79th General Convention:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the 79th General Convention call all dioceses and parishes in The Episcopal Church to respond to the opioid epidemic with training, pastoral care, advocacy, and liturgy; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses and parishes be encouraged to partner with First Responders and others in the medical community to host training on how to administer Narcan in the event of an overdose; partner with other faith communities and recovery programs in their local contexts to offer pastoral care to those affected by the epidemic; partner with other faith leaders to advocate with local and state government regarding policies and laws to promote healing and wholeness for those affected by this epidemic; and to lift up the needs of those affected by the epidemic in the Prayers of the People.