

Resolution #1

Resolved, the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese of West Missouri consider the merits of requesting a transfer of the Diocese of West Missouri from Province VII to Province V of the Episcopal Church and report to Annual Convention in 2010 their recommendations in this matter.

Explanation: Missouri is one of only two states in the entire Episcopal Church in which the dioceses located in the state are in separate Provinces of the Episcopal Church. This means there are no institutional occasions when the leadership of the Diocese of West Missouri and the Diocese of Missouri are together and can explore opportunities for shared ministries or other occasions of cooperation and support. Being in the same Province would create institutional opportunities to better know our sister Missouri diocese and better explore opportunities for cooperation, sharing, and mutual support.

Relevant TEC Canons:

I.9.2.b C&C ECUSA 2006

There are no applicable canons in the C&C of the Diocese of West Missouri

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