

**Topic/Title:** Increased Media Coverage of Global Crises

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*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church call upon all television news outlets in the United States to increase coverage of global crises and the U.S. response to them, particularly:

efforts to realize the Millennium Development Goals,  
the ongoing peace process between north and south Sudan, and  
the ongoing genocide in Darfur; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the secretary of this convention send a copy of this resolution to the programming offices of CNN, MSNBC, CNBC, and FoxNews, and to the news divisions of NBC, ABC, CBS and FOX; and be it further

*Resolved*, That all dioceses, congregations and individuals in the Episcopal Church are strongly urged to lobby the news media on local, regional and national levels to increase the breadth and depth of coverage of these issues.

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*Peter Van Horne*

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**Topic/Title:** Continuing Support for MDG's

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*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church

1. Establish the work toward the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals as a mission priority for the coming triennium,
2. Direct the General Convention Treasurer and the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to create a line item in the Budget for the Episcopal Church containing no less than 0.7% of that budget for work that supports the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals,
3. Designate September 11 a special day of prayer, fasting and giving in the Episcopal Church toward global reconciliation and the Millennium Development Goals,
4. Request that all dioceses establish a diocesan global reconciliation commission dedicated to mobilizing Episcopalians toward the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

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**Topic/Title:** Regarding GC 2006 B033

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*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 76th General Convention of The Episcopal Church regret the discrimination against some candidates for the episcopate expressed in Resolution B033 of the 75th General Convention (2006) and the hurt and alienation felt by some because of that discrimination; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the 76th General Convention reject the interpretation of that resolution made by the House of Bishops at its meeting in September 2007.

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*Peter Van Horne*

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**Topic/Title:** Same Gender Committed Relationships

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*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 75th General Convention support and uphold persons in same-gender committed relationships of enduring love, mutuality, and fidelity; and be it further

*Resolved*, that the term "sexual orientation" in Title III, Canon 1, Section 2, shall protect all persons from denial of access to the discernment process for any ministry, lay or ordained, in this Church solely on the basis of being in such a relationship.

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**Topic/Title:** Liturgies for Blessings

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*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the 76th General Convention charge the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music with development of liturgies of blessing for same-gender commitments to be presented to the next triennial General Convention in 2012 for inclusion in "Book of Occasional Services"; and. be it further

*Resolved*, That in the meantime the Ecclesiastical Authority of each diocese may authorize for use in the diocese liturgies for blessing same-gender committed relationships of enduring love, mutuality, and fidelity; and be it further

*Resolved*, That, with respect to such blessings, no bishop or clergy of this Church or any other person acting on behalf of this Church shall be required or expected to perform an act contrary to a deeply-held position of conscience.

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*Peter Van Horne*                      *4/17/09*  
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