

Passed as amended by unanimous vote, 5/11/2019

Resolution 2019-06

Title: Racial Reconciliation

RESOLVED, that this 235th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland commits to taking tangible actions toward racial reconciliation in our local context, specifically regarding descendants of formerly enslaved Africans, as well as the legacy that impacts black and brown persons; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this 235th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland affirms the Bishop of Maryland's 2019 pastoral letter on racial reconciliation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this 235th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland shall require *Seeing the Face of God in Each Other* to be renewed every five (5) years for all required participants; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this 235th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland directs the Diocesan Council to continue fostering formational conversations around the definition and understanding of reparations and other acts of racial reconciliation in the context of the diocese and its communities, especially including the diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Commission and diocesan Pauli Murray Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this 235th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland encourages all congregations to examine how their endowed wealth is tied to the institution of slavery.