

# **MISSIONARY DIOCESES AMENDMENT CANON 1995**

## **ADOPTING ORDINANCE 1997**

**No. 9 OF 1997**

### **AN ORDINANCE**

To adopt the 'Missionary Dioceses Amendment Canon 1995' being a General Synod Canon to provide for the amendment of the Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977 - 1985.

### **PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS it is desirable that the Missionary Dioceses Amendment Canon 1995 of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia should be adopted by the Diocese of Grafton.

THEREFORE the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled decree and enact as follows:

### **SHORT TITLE**

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the "Missionary Dioceses Amendment Canon 1995, Adopting Ordinance 1996".

### **ASSENT**

2. The Missionary Dioceses Amendment Canon 1995 as set out in the Schedule hereto is hereby adopted.

### **THE SCHEDULE**

#### **Canon No. 11, 1995**

**A Canon to provide for the amendment of the Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977-1985.**

The General Synod prescribes as follows:

#### **Title and principal canon**

1. (1) This canon shall be known as the "Missionary Dioceses Amendment Canon 1995".  
(2) In this canon the Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977-1985 is referred to as the "Principal Canon".  
(3) The Principal Canon as amended by this canon shall be known as the "Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977-1995".

#### **New section 1**

2. Section 1 of the Principal Canon is repealed and the following section is inserted in its place:
  - "1. In this canon unless the context otherwise requires -  
"Constitution" means the Constitution of The Anglican Church of Australia;  
"Missionary Diocese" includes the dioceses of Carpentaria and Northern Territory as existing from time to time and by whatever name called;  
"Standing Committee" means the Standing Committee of General Synod."

**Repeal of section 2**

3. Section 2 of the Principal Canon is repealed.

**Amendment of section 6**

4. Section 6 of the Principal Canon is amended by adding at the end:

"unless General Synod otherwise determines by Rule".

**New section 7**

5. Section 7 of the Principal Canon is repealed. The following new section is inserted in its place -

"7. Where a Missionary Diocese has a synod such diocese may apply to General Synod to terminate its status as a Missionary Diocese. General Synod may on such application or on the recommendation of Standing Committee by resolution or by canon terminate the status of a diocese as a Missionary Diocese."

**Canon affects the order and good government of a diocese**

6. This canon affects the order and good government of this Church and shall not come into operation in a diocese unless and until the diocese adopts this canon by ordinance of the synod of the diocese.

We certify that this bill was passed by the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia this 5th day of July 1995.

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M.F. HORTON

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B.J. GREAVES

Secretaries of Synod

I hereby certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.

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Chairman of Committees

I certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod on the sixteenth day of August, 1997.

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Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.

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Bishop.