

**GENERAL SYNOD 2019
RESOLUTION**

Resolution Number A101-R1

Subject: A Word to the Church Concerning Proposed Amendment to the Marriage Canon

Moved By: Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner

Seconded By: The Very Rev. Peter Wall

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

Adopt the affirmations in the document entitled *A Word to the Church* concerning the proposed amendment of Canon XXI (On Marriage in the Church).

Source: Council of General Synod

Submitted By: Council of General Synod

Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes **No**

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes No

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND

At their March 2019 meeting, the Council of General Synod adopted and commended for consideration by General Synod the document *A Word to the Church* concerning the proposed amendment of Marriage Canon XXI.

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTION (G)

In the normal course, an ordinary motion must be passed by a majority of the members of General Synod present and voting together. Six members of General Synod may, prior to the question being put, require a vote by Orders, with a majority of each Order being necessary to pass.

If a question passes on a Vote by Orders, any six members (two from each of three different dioceses) may immediately before the next item of business require a vote to be taken by dioceses. A motion passes if a majority (or a tie) of dioceses vote in favour.

Source: Sections 4 and 5 of the Declaration of Principles and sections 18, 19 and 20 of the Rules of Order and Procedure.