

COURTESY RESOLUTION

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MARYLAND

WHEREAS, The recent death of bicyclist, Thomas Palermo, was caused by the apparent actions of the Suffragan Bishop of Maryland, Heather Cook; and,

WHEREAS, our sisters and brothers throughout the Diocese of Maryland are now fully entrenched in the grief and agony of these terrible events;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this 123rd Annual Council of the Diocese of Southern Virginia express its heartfelt condolences and prayers for the family of Thomas Palermo in their deep grief; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, as events continue to develop we offer our sincere and ongoing prayers for the Diocesan Bishop and all clergy and people of the Diocese of Maryland, and for Heather Cook; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this 123rd Council calls all clergy and people across the Diocese to give prayerful and thoughtful contemplation to how substance abuse is negatively affecting our lives and to consider what actions we can take, individually and collectively, to raise our consciousness; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be spread across the minutes and books of Council and that a copy be sent to The Right Reverend Eugene Sutton, Bishop of Maryland and to Ms. Sandra A. Criscimagna, President of the Standing Committee, Diocese of Maryland.