

2017 RESOLUTION R-1

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RESOLVED that:

Whereas, Rules of Order are of singular importance in making life at Annual Council not only transparent but also organized and,

Whereas, Article II – Procedure for Debate and Action, Section 2 stipulates that “All resolutions, including those for the Rules of Order of Council, shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Diocese sixty days prior to Council’s annual convening, ...”, and,

Whereas the 125th Annual Council is scheduled to convene on February 10, 2017 making December 12, 2016 the last date on which resolutions could be submitted,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the 60 day stipulation be reduced to 30 days for the 125th Annual Council as well as all subsequent annual councils.

RATIONALE: With the advent of electronic communications, the need for extra time to manage and distribute paper documents has been greatly shortened and moreover, placing the end date of submissions in the middle of Advent is antithetical to the spirit of good and open communications and governance.