

**RESOLUTION**  
**THE DIOCESE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**  
**DIOCESAN CONVENTION**  
**NOVEMBER 10 & 11, 2007**

**TITLE:** Millennium Development Goals

**PROPOSED BY:** The Revs. Mark Allen, Rector the Church of St. Martin, Eric Duff, Executive Director Episcopal Community Services, Cindy Long, Deacon St. Matthews Sacramento, Delia Fay, Regional Missioner Valley Episcopal Ministry, and Harry Fox, Lay Member of Standing Committee, Jane Snibbe, Diocesan Representative to Episcopal Relief and Development, Amy Dierlam, Diocesan Campus and Young Adult Developer, Thea Mangels, Lovie Spencer, Editor of the Missionary

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**REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:**

The Rev. Mark Allen

**DATE:** July 30, 2007

**RESOLVED:** That the 97<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Northern California reaffirms Resolution #R1-06 Substitution, passed at the 96<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese. And be it further

**Resolved,** That this convention directs the “Corporation” and “Council” of the diocese to allocate .7% of the total Diocesan Budget (approximately \$13,000) to be used as grants to agencies and projects addressing the eight Millennium Development Goals. And be it further

**Resolved,** That these funds be administered by a “Millennium Development Goal Group” appointed by the Bishop. And be it further

**Resolved,** That the “Millennium Development Goal Group” will make an accounting report to the Bishop, Council and Corporation and Convention at the end of the year. And be it further

**Resolved,** That the Diocesan Budget will continue to allocate .7% to MDG Goals until the Convention either increases, decreases or discontinues said allocation.

## **EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:**

The 75<sup>th</sup> General Convention of the Episcopal Church sent a clear message regarding mission priorities in its adoption of "Resolution D031. Priority #1 JUSTICE AND PEACE has the following explanation: "Promoting justice and peace for all of God's creation and continuing and accelerating the leadership role and programs of the Episcopal Church which support the eight (8) Millennium Development Goals" in the diocese of the Episcopal Church and in the world"

Resolution #R1-06 adopted at the last Diocesan convention reiterated those five budgetary priorities: 1. Justice and Peace; 2. Young adults, youth and children; 3. reconciliation and evangelism; 4. congregational transformation; and 5. partnerships. It further "commended these priorities to the Diocesan Council and Corporation for consideration in setting the diocesan budget. Finally, it urged every parish to examine their budgetary priorities in light of these five priorities with particular attention given to the 8 Millennium Development Goals contained in Priority #1.

The eight Millennium Development Goals are: 1. eradicate extreme poverty and hunger; 2. achieve universal primary education; 3. promote gender equality and empower women; 4. reduce child mortality; 5. improve maternal health; 6. combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases; 7. ensure environmental stability; and 8. develop a global partnership for development.

## **FISCAL IMPACT OF RESOLUTION:**

As stated, this resolution calls for the budget making authority of the diocese to allocate .7% of the total budget for the purposes stated. Based upon current budgets, this would be approximately \$13,000.00, that would have to be deleted from some other program area as determined by the Diocesan Council and Corporation.