## Resolutions Passed at the 146<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia October 26-28, 2023 Martinsburg, West Virginia

## **Resolution I**

Submitted by the Very Rev. David Johnston, the Very Rev. Bobby Shives, the Rev. Josh Saxe, the Very Rev. Dean Lawrence, the Very Rev. Kim Webster, and the Very Rev. Susan Claytor

*Resolved*, That this 146th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia requests that Bishop Matthew Cowden establish and appoint members from across the Diocese, in both lay and ordained orders, to a task force to review the current diocesan Deanery structure and to make recommendations to the Bishop and the 147<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia for how the Diocese can more effectively serve its member churches and people.

## **Resolution No. II**

Resolved, That this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia urge all member Episcopalians to work toward and pray for a peaceful resolution to the current conflict in the Middle East which directly affects the safety of innocent Israelis and Palestinians.

## **Resolution No. III**

Resolved, That this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of West Virginia urge all member Episcopalians to pray for all victims of gun violence, including those in Lewiston, Maine, and those to come.