The Committee on Resolutions, The Rev. Scott Jones, Chair, presents the following resolution for consideration by the 57th Diocesan Convention and recommends adoption.

57th DIOCESAN CONVENTION

2017 RESOLUTION SUBMISSION TEMPLATE

TITLE: Commendation of a Day of Remembrance

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BE IT RESOLVED: That the 57th Diocesan Convention recognize the actions of the congregation of St John’s Episcopal Church in Bisbee, Arizona in marking the Centennial of the Bisbee Deportation of the 1,300 mine workers in 1917, as a celebration of our baptismal covenant of ministering to people on the margins.

BE IT RESOLVED: That like the over 900 names that were read aloud as part of St. John’s Service of Remembrance, which reflected the multiple cultures and nationalities of the deported miners, we embrace the diversity of those we now minister to.

Explanation: On reading Canon Megan Traquair’s E-pistle article, “The Rain of Grace”, and the Editor’s addition of Fr. Donne Puckle’s, “The Reading of the Names”, about the Centennial of the Bisbee Deportation, a dark time in Arizona history, marked on July 12, 2017, when St. John’s led a Service of Remembrance, where, in the midst of prayers, the over 900 known names of the miners were read out loud and with regular ringing of the church bell, I felt this needed to be held up before the diocese, not only to commend them, but also to serve as a reminder of how we all are called to live out our baptismal covenant.

Funding Implications: None.