REQUIRE ANTIRACISM TRAINING FOR ANYONE RUNNING FOR DIOCESAN OFFICE

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Title of the Resolution: Require Antiracism Training For Anyone Running For Diocesan Office

Whereas, this resolution is being submitted in furtherance of promoting the work of anti-racism set forth in the Bishop’s Address.

TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION

Resolved: that the Episcopal Diocese of New York hereby mandates that all persons seeking Diocesan Office be required first to have completed anti-racism training beginning in the year 2020.

Explanation

- In 1991, The Episcopal Church, at its convention, named racism as a SIN and committed the Church to “repenting the sin of racism and working for its eradication”.
- In 1994, the House of Bishops issued a Pastoral Letter entitled “The Sin of Racism” which affirmed that the work of anti-racism and inclusion are the work of the Gospel”
- In 2000, The Episcopal Church adopted a resolution which requires all national and diocesan lay and clergy leaders, as well as any person serving on a national commission, committee, agency or board to receive anti-racism training.
- This resolution will bring our diocese into compliance with our national church.