Minutes of the 170th Annual Convention Episcopal Diocese of Iowa Saturday, October 29th, 2022 Des Moines, Iowa

Plenary I

Bishop Betsey Monnot welcomed delegates and visitors to the 170th Annual Diocesan Convention, and led a period of opening worship. She then called the Convention to order and called upon the Reverend Mary Jane Oakland (St. John's, Ames) to give the first report for the Committee on Credentials. Oakland reported that in accordance with Article VII.1 of the Constitution of the Diocese, a quorum was present for the conducting of business.

Bishop Monnot then called on the Reverend Jean McCarthy (Cathedral Church of St. Paul) chair of the Committee on Dispatch of Business for the Committee's report. McCarthy moved that the agenda as prepared by the Convention Committee and the Secretary of the Convention be adopted; and further, that the Rules of Order as approved by the 156th Convention and amended at the 168th Convention serve as the Rules of Order for the 170th Convention.

On a voice vote, the motion was adopted.

The Reverend Mary Jane Oakland was recalled to present the second report of the Credentials Committee. She moved that Seat and Voice be given to the following persons.

Special Guests The Rev. Lorna Halaas, Bishop, Western Iowa Synod, ELCA, Brother James Dowd, OSB, The Benedictine Way (Keynote Speaker), The Very Rev. Dr. Don Compier, Dean, Bishop Kemper School for Ministry

By Zoom Video: The Rt. Rev. Andrew Swift, Diocese of Brechin, Scotland, The Rt. Rev. Dalcy Dlamini, Diocese of Swaziland in Eswatini, The Rt. Rev. Richard Aquilla, Diocese of Nzara, South Sudan

Diocesan Staff: Anne Wagner, Comptroller, Amy Mellies, Children & Youth Missioner, Traci Ruhland Petty, Communications & GILEAD Missioner

Standing Committee member (not a delegate) Aileen Chang-Matus

Licensed Clergy: Robert North, Larry Snyder, Catherine Scott

Postulants and Candidates present (not delegates) Jacob Deng Aleer, Greta Muller Levis

The motion from the Credentials Committee was seconded and carried.

The bishop called for a motion to dispense with the Roll Call and to take the attendance from the Registration. The Reverend Elaine Caldbeck (Bettendorf, St. Peter's) moved to do so. The motion was seconded and carried.

Next Bishop Monnot, noting that the Minutes of the 169th Convention had been available for at least 30 days, asked for a motion to forgo the reading of the Minutes. On a motion from Elaine Caldbeck, duly seconded, the minutes were not read. One amendment was made, however, to include the Memorial Resolution for the Rev. John Hedger. The Minutes were then approved as amended.

Bishop Monnot drew attention to the presence of two youth delegates to the Convention and introduced Lizzie Lyman (All Saints', Storm Lake) and Sam Schirmer (St. John's, Mason City); and welcomed them to the Convention.

The bishop then explained the various ways in which votes would be taken throughout the day.

She then called for the election of Officers of the Convention.

Wendy Abrahamson (St. Paul's, Grinnell) nominated the Rev. Cn. Kathleen Milligan (St. Stephen's, Newton) as Secretary of Convention. There being no further nominations she was duly elected and named the Rev. Lauren Lyon as her Assistant.

Jean McCarthy nominated Mr. William Smith as Treasurer of Convention. There being no further nominations, Smith was elected.

On the Bishop's nominations, Mr. William H. Graham was elected Chancellor of the Diocese; Mr. Hal Chase was named as Diocesan Historiographer; Ms. Julianne Allaway was named as Diocesan Registrar; and Mr. William H. Smith was named as Diocesan Treasurer.

The Reports to the Diocesan Convention having been available on the diocesan website, the bishop called for a motion to receive them as presented. On the motion of Elaine Caldbeck, duly seconded, the reports were accepted as presented. (We were voting on the Second Report booklet which included reports previously omitted).

The Reverend Lorna Halaas, Bishop of the Western Iowa Synod of the ELCA was introduced and brought greetings and best wishes for our Convention. She expressed appreciation for our ecumenical partnership. She mentioned that Lutheran Social Services in Sioux City is now using the old Calvary Church building.

Ms. Traci Petty (Diocese) was called upon to present the report for the GILEAD Grant Committee. She shared the inner workings of the Grant Committee and announced that a total of \$79,000 had been granted for 2022, supporting 10 projects. These were:

Beginning a New or Strengthening an Existing Ministry

	ACI Refugee and Immigrant Community, St. Anne's, Ankeny	\$5,000	
	Behavioral and Health Ministry Team (partnership with Kris Leaman and Amy Mellies)	\$5,000	
	Refugee Garden, St. Andrew's, Des Moines	\$5,000	
	Three House Campus Ministry, St. Luke's, Cedar Falls "The Listening Post"	\$5,000	
Supporting Newly-Ordained Clergy			
	St. Andrew's Church, Des Moines	\$24,000	
	Clergy Support for St. Matthew's, Iowa Falls	\$15,000	
Evangelism			
	St. Stephen's, Newton to help purchase new signage	\$5,000	
Formation for Youth and Young Adults			
	Safety Net for Episcopal Service Corps participants	\$5,000	
	Simpson Youth Academy	\$5,000	
Expanding Tools and Technology			
	African Community Institute, St. Anne's, Ankeny Tools and Tech	\$5,000	

Traci thanked us for our support of the GILEAD Campaign, and announced that there would be another round of grants in 2023.

Bishop Monnot called on Ann McLaughlin (Good Shepherd, Webster City) for a report from Province VI. She shared information about the regular Zoom meeting offered for lay and clergy members of Province VI. This is not simply for delegates; all interested people are invited to participate in ongoing discussions of life in small churches throughout our Province. The Convention would be dealing this year with a canonical change relating to representation to the Provincial Synod.

The bishop then invited our Treasurer Mr. Bill Smith for a report on the completed financials for 2021, and 2022 Year to Date. He shared that in 2021, we had a shortfall with expenditures which were around \$47,000 over budget. Income was at 93% of budget, while expenses were at 97% of budget. The shortfall was made up from the Working Capital Supplement. The audit for 2021 was clean, showing no material misstatements.

Smith reported that through September, with 9/12 of this year complete, income is at 67% while expenses are at 65%. This is typical for this time of year. Some expenses occur later in the year, such as Convention; and parishes tend to make up their pledges toward the end of the year.

Bishop Monnot then called on the Rev. Kris Leaman (St. Mark's, Fort Dodge) for the report for the Nominations Committee. She presented the following Nominations

For the Standing Committee

Clergy: The Rev. Nicola Bowler (St. Paul's, Des Moines)

The Rev. John Greve (Grace, Cedar Rapids)

The Rev. Jean McCarthy (St. Paul's, Des Moines)

Lay: Mr. Jeff Cornforth (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls)

Leaman submitted two further nominations for the Lay Member, which were submitted late. These are: William Early (St. Paul's, Harlan) and Ann McLaughlin (Good Shepherd, Webster City). Both had given consent to the nominations.

On the motion of Elaine Caldbeck, duly seconded, nominations for Standing Committee were closed.

For the Board of Directors, the following were nominated for the at-large members.

Clergy: The Rev. Kris Leaman (St. Mark's, Fort Dodge)
Lay: Ms. Alescha Caldwell (Christ Church, Clinton)

There being no further nominations, on a motion by Elaine Caldbeck nominations were closed.

The bishop then called for nominations for Chapter Representatives. These persons have consented to the nomination.

Central Chapter, the Rev. Wendy Abrahamson (St. Paul's, Grinnell) North Central Chapter, Mr. Dale Schirmer (St. John's, Mason City) South Central Chapter, The Rev. Kevin Emge (Trinity, Ottumwa)

On the motion of Elaine Caldbeck, duly seconded, nominations were closed.

Bishop Monnot then called for nominations for Disciplinary Board.

Rev. Kris Leaman reported the following nominations:

Clergy:

The Rev. Tom Early (St. Alban's, Spirit Lake)*

The Rev. Jean McCarthy (St. Paul's, Des Moines)

The Rev. Kevin Powell (Trinity, Muscatine)

Lay:

Ms. Beth Stence (Trinity, Iowa City)

Ms. Laura Thilges (St. Mark's, Fort Dodge)

There being no further nominations, the slate for the Disciplinary Board was closed.

Leaman was now asked for nominations for Deputy to General Convention. Deputies to General Convention are being elected this year for the Convention in 2024. The following people were nominated:

Clergy Deputies

The Rev. Stephen Benitz (St. John's, Mason City)*

The Rev. Tom Early (St. Alban's, Spirit Lake)*

The Rev. Kris Leaman (St. Mark's, Fort Dodge)

The Rev. Elizabeth Duff Popplewell (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls)

The Rev. Cn. Meg Wagner (Diocese of Iowa)

*Benitz, Early were late nominations, from the floor

Lay Deputies:

Ms. Alescha Caldwell (Christ Church, Clinton)

Mr. Jeff Cornforth (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls)

Ms. Tiffany Farrell (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls)

Mr. Dale Schirmer (St. John's, Mason City)

Mr. William H. Smith (St. Timothy's, West Des Moines)

^{*}Early was a late nomination, from the floor

The following persons were nominated from the floor and had given their consents to be nominated:

Clergy:

The Rev. Cn. Kathleen Milligan (St. Stephen's, Newton)

Lay:

Ms. Kirsten Buniak (St. Paul's, Des Moines)

Ms. Brenda Freeman (St. John's, Ames)

Mr. Jay Leaman (St. John's, Mason City; St. Mark's, Fort Dodge)

There being no further nominations for General Convention, Jean McCarthy moved that nominations be closed. The motion was seconded and carried.

Bishop Monnot reminded us that voting would not begin until the close of the second Plenary. She invited us to a short break, to reconvene at 11:15.

Plenary II

Bishop Monnot called us back into session with a song. Next, she presented her Convention address. She reminded us of an image from last year - dancing on the water. She expressed her gratitude for the privilege of being called as Bishop of Iowa, and she shared her pleasure at getting to know people in the congregations. Learning what it is to be a bishop has been a large part of the experience this past year. She has regularly attended the College of Bishops. She expressed her especial thanks to the staff of the Diocese. The summer was a crowded one, with the family's move to lowa, ending a period of separation. The summer also saw the shortened General Convention which had been scheduled for 2021 but delayed by COVID. Its 4 days were very packed. Lambeth Conference was also a great experience. The theme of the Conference was "God's Church for a Changing World". A number of Lambeth Calls were discussed, and the discussion will continue through Zoom meetings. We will hear more about that at a later time. COVID limited her in-person presence, but she was able to connect with our Companion Bishops, and especially enjoyed time in Scotland with Bishops Dalcy Dlamini and Andrew Swift. She reminded us that COVID is still with us. It's a challenge such as we have seldom confronted and calls for new ways of engaging in ministry. She expressed her gratitude again for this great cloud of witnesses. She shared her initial priorities as our Bishop. These are: Strengthening Congregations; Supporting lay and clergy leadership; and Deepening our Connection to God. Bishop Monnot concluded by commenting on the budget to be presented for 2023. She shared a vision of an Opportunity Fund to assist with our Income, and to grow in gratitude. She also reminded us that we are called to life in One Body, being willing to take risks with each other.

Following her address Bishop Monnot called on treasurer Bill Smith to present the budget for 2023. This year, the Ways and Means Committee presented a deficit budget to the Board of Directors. The Board added an "Opportunity Fund" line in the "Income" portion in order to

come to a balanced budget of \$1,181,120.00. We will be hearing more about this Fund in the coming months. Smith pointed out that our budgets over the last several years have seen a slow but steady decline in revenues from congregations, and this year we are seeing the result.

Smith moved the 2023 Budget on behalf of the Ways and Means Committee and the Board of Directors. The budget was adopted.

The Ways and Means Committee had pledged to evaluate the current Stewardship Share formula. On balance the committee concluded that this formula is still a reasonable one.

Bishop Monnot called on the Reverend Elaine Caldbeck for the Report for the Committee on Resolutions. She reported that there were four resolutions received in a timely manner. There being no late resolutions submitted, Caldbeck moved Resolution 170-A.

170-A

Resolution to Amend Canon 6: Of Deputies to the Provincial Synod

BE IT RESOLVED that Canon 6 of the Canons of the Diocese of Iowa be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1: The Clerical and Lay Deputies elected as provided in Canon 5 shall be the Deputies to Provincial Synod for the same period of time they hold the office of Deputy to General Convention.

Sec. 2: At the Annual Convention next preceding the regular meeting of the General Convention, the convention shall elect the Bishop shall appoint—one—two members to serve on the Provincial Council, from January 1 following the election appointment for a three-year term. The order of the persons elected—appointed and the number of terms allowed shall be in accordance with the appropriate Provincial Ordinance.

The motion was duly seconded.

Invited to speak to the amendment, Kathleen Milligan, chair of Constitution and Canons Committee, observed that the Amendment brought us into line with the Provincial Canons adopted in the last year. There being no further amendment or discussion, the motion was adopted.

Chair Elaine Caldbeck next introduced Resolution 170B.

170-B

Resolution to Amend Canon 18

Be it resolved that this 170th Convention amends Canon 18 of the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa as follows:

Canon 18, Sec. 2

The congregation of each Cathedral shall be a parish, with all the normal and prescribed parochial organizations, duties, rights, and privileges; provided, however, that the Bishop shall nominate a priest to be the Rector and Dean. When the Bishop shall be notified that there is, or is about to be, a vacancy in the Rectorship of the Cathedral congregations then such bishop shall nominate any number of priests not less than five-then after consultation with the Vestry/Chapter, and at her/his discretion, the bishop shall nominate up to five (5) deemed fit and suitable, from whom the Vestry shall select one (1) to be called as Rector; or if for good reason no one of these shall be selected the Vestry shall notify the bishop who may then nominate others until a selection shall be made. Such Rector, when duly elected and installed, shall become Dean of the Cathedral, with such duties, rights, and privileges of the Rector of a parish.

Caldbeck moved the Resolution on behalf of the Committee, and it was duly seconded.

Kathleen Milligan, chair of Constitution and Canons was invited to speak. She commented that it is increasingly difficult to identify 5 suitable candidates for any position as parish priest. This resolution allows the bishop increased flexibility in recruiting and naming a candidate by specifying up to 5, instead of a mandate of 5 suitable candidates. She urged the support of the Resolution.

Questions were raised about the "up to 5" language. There was concern that it would allow the nomination of only one candidate. This would indeed be a possibility. On the motion of Phyllis Melton (Cathedral Church of St. Paul) duly seconded, the *Resolution was amended to replace* "up to five" with "a minimum of two and up to five". After further discussion the resolution was amended in this way. The Resolution was passed.

Following the passage of this resolution Bishop Monnot called for the Secretary of Convention and the Chair of the Elections Committee the Rev. Diane Eddy, to give directions for the Elections. Voting would open at the close of Plenary Session 2 and close at the beginning of Plenary Session 4.

The bishop closed Plenary Session 2, and dismissed us for lunch.

Plenary Session III

Plenary Session III began with music led by Eric Rucker, and prayer from Chaplain Elizabeth Duff Popplewell.

Bill Smith and Maggie Tinsman were invited to give a report on the General Convention held in early July. They talked about the shortened General Convention, which was only 4 days, in order to lessen the risk still associated with the COVID virus. Precautions resulted in fewer people; but with 800 deputies, it is still a large gathering. 400 Resolutions were presented, many of them placed on Consent Calendars. Areas covered included Reparations and continuation of a budget for Beloved Community Initiative. With the end of the terms of the House of Deputies President and Vice-President, elections were held for their replacements. Julia Ayala Harris from Oklahoma was elected as President of the House; and Rachel Taber-Hamilton, a priest serving in Everett, Washington, was elected Vice-President. These women are respectively the first Latina and the first female, Indigenous person to serve in their positions. Bill also reported that Maggie Tinsman was recognized for her long service as a Deputy to General Convention.

At the conclusion of the General Convention report, the bishop called on Meg Wagner and Jeanie Smith for the Reparations Task Force, to give a report. They shared the importance of defining Reparations. How do we raise awareness of continuing disparities? What are the questions arising in our churches, and what conversations are we having in them? How do we share the history of lowa's contribution to racism? We need to continue the lowa work with the Reparations Task Force.

Bishop Monnot introduced the Table Conversations, sharing four sources of personal transformation and asking each person to share an experience of transformation through one of the sources. Then we were directed to the Mentimeter reporting format.

Following the Table Conversations, we resumed our work with Resolutions.

Elaine Caldbeck was called back to the Podium and introduced Resolution 170C

170-C

Resolution for SAFE HARBOR

Whereas, to prevent the harmful and re-traumatizing effects of arrest and prosecution for crimes committed pursuant to trafficking victimization, lowa must enact comprehensive non-criminalization laws; and

Whereas, the Iowa Code Section 725.1 defines prostitution in a manner that includes minors as potential parties to the offense of prostitution, and

Whereas, "non-criminalization" reflects the concept that "charging a child with a crime related to their own rape is not properly enshrined in the criminal code;"; and

Whereas, A key first step in enacting non-criminalization laws is to prohibit the criminalization of survivors under 18 for prostitution offenses, ensuring that they cannot be arrested, detained, or prosecuted for such offenses; and

Whereas, sex trafficked children and youth are commonly compelled to commit juvenile and criminal offenses during their victimization. In addition to harms caused by criminalization, related records present detrimental challenges and barriers to the restoration and healing process for survivors of sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation. Such collateral consequences result in further victimization, including psychological harm, that may hinder a survivor's ability to rebuild their life; and

Whereas, juvenile records may result in school expulsion, denial of professional licenses, denial of access to public benefits; and

Whereas, criminal records hinder survivors ability to obtain employment, secure safe housing, taking out loans, and seek educational opportunities; and

Whereas, 31 states have already passed Safe Harbor laws including Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, and North Dakota; NOW THEREFORE,

Be it resolved, that the Episcopal Church of lowa requests its congregants to become informed about and aware of human trafficking across communities of lowa, its devastating and lasting effects on lowa families, and the need for a state Safe Harbor law by contacting all candidates running for lowa's House and Senate.

Caldbeck moved the Resolution on behalf of the Committee and it was duly seconded. Stephen Benitz moved to amend the motion to add the words "or elected to" following the words "running for" and preceding the words "lowa's House and Senate". The amendment was seconded and approved. The amended resolution was then passed as amended.

Caldbeck then presented Resolution 170D

170-D

Resolution for the Continuation of the Nzara Companion Relationship with the Diocese of Nzara, Episcopal Church of South Sudan

BE IT RESOLVED, that this 170th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa agrees to extend the Companion Relationship with the Episcopal Diocese of Nzara in the Republic of South Sudan, and that this Relationship will extend for a period of five years, to be renewed only after evaluation by the Bishop of Iowa and the One World One Church Commission, which will present a follow-up resolution at the 175th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the focus of the Companionship will be primarily on building of relationships between the two Dioceses: Through sharing of prayer lists, Through exchange visits, especially of experts in various disciplines, Through the appointment of a Nzara Companionship Steering Committee, Through the development of a diocesan-wide Nzara Companions group who will covenant to pray regularly for the Companionship, engaging in direct communication with members of the Diocese of Nzara and keeping the Diocese of Iowa informed about both Nzara and the larger concerns of the Republic of South Sudan; and that funding for all projects related to the new Companionship will be agreed upon through the channels of the Bishop of Iowa office.

Caldbeck moved the Resolution on behalf of the Committee. The motion was duly seconded, and following some discussion, Resolution 170D was adopted.

The primary report of the Resolutions Committee being concluded, Bishop Monnot reminded us that the break would give us a final opportunity to cast our ballots. We were invited to take a break before our concluding Plenary.

Plenary Session IV

Bishop Monnot called us to order with music, and with prayer from our chaplain. She then invited Mr. David Oakland (St. John's, Ames) for the report from the One World, One Church Commission. He reminded us of the United Thank Offering Boxes on the tables. He then directed attention to the OWOC Table in the Exhibit Hall. The Commission has the privilege of directing the distribution of Sustainable Development Mini-Grants. These grants originated with the Millenium Development Goals earlier in this century. We have been directing .07% of our annual budget to these grants. This year, the grants were awarded as follows.

OWOC/Diocese of Nzara: Teacher/Staff Support at Diocesan Secondary School	\$2,325	
OWOC/Diocese of Swaziland: Food and care at Neighborhood Care Points	\$2,325	
Good Shepherd, Webster City/Self Help International: Growing Healthy Food, Growing		
Healthy Children project in Ghana	\$2,325	
St. Anne's, Ankeny/African Community Institute/Des Moines: Feeding street children in		
Nairobi, Kenya	\$2,325	

The total granted was \$9,300.00. It comes from budget line #153451.

Following the OWOC report, our Youth Missioner, Ms. Amy Mellies, was invited to give her report. In a video presentation she talked about the return to more youth activities including camp, new models for youth weekends, and plans for continuing to grow the ministry after COVID interrupted so much.

Bishop Monnot next called on the Reverend Eric Rucker for a report on the Simpson Youth Academy, an ecumenical ministry which continues to invite our young people to grow in skills and Spirit in order to take their place in today's world. More diocesan personnel have been recruited to help with it.

Following Eric's presentation, Bishop Monnot announced the results of our elections.

Standing Committee

Clergy:

The Rev. Nicola Bowler

Lay:

Mr. Jeff Cornforth

Directors, Episcopal Corporation

Clergy:

The Rev. Kris Leaman

Lay:

Ms. Alescha Caldwell

Chapter Representatives

Central:

The Rev. Wendy Abrahamson

South Central: The Rev. Kevin Emge North Central: Mr. Dale Schirmer

Disciplinary Board

Clergy: The Rev. Tom Early

The Rev. Jean McCarthy

Lay:

Ms. Laura Thilges

Ms. Beth Stence

Deputies to General Convention

Clergy: The Rev. Elizabeth Duff Popplewell

The Rev. Cn. Meg Wagner The Rev. Stephen Benitz

The Rev. Tom Early

Alternates:

The Rev. Cn. Kathleen Milligan

The Rev. Kris Leaman

Lay: Mr. Bill Smith

Mr. Dale Schirmer

Ms. Tiffany Farrell

Mr. Jeff Cornforth

Alternates:

Ms. Alescha Caldwell

Ms. Kirsten Buniak

Ms. Brenda Freeman

Mr. Jay Leaman

The bishop offered our thanks to all of those who had put themselves forward to run for an elected office.

Elaine Caldbeck was called back to the Podium for the presentation of the Memorial Resolutions.

All of these Resolutions were duly seconded and approved.

Memorial Resolution The Reverend Canon Thomas Hulme

WHEREAS, the Reverend Canon Thomas Hulme was born and educated in Iowa, with the exception of his seminary education at the General Theological Seminary in New York; and

WHEREAS, he was ordained in 1955 by Bishop Gordon V Smith, assigned to serve at Grace Church in Boone, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, even as a new priest his initiative and creativity led him to respond to Bishop Smith's challenge and gather an energetic group to form the new congregation of St. Martin's in Perry, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, he then was called as Rector to Grace Church in Cedar Rapids, where he served until he entered graduate school at the University of Iowa in 1969; and

WHEREAS, having obtained a Master's Degree in Social Work while serving as half-time associate at Trinity Church in Iowa City, he then served as a psychiatric social worker in the Child Psychiatry Service, and Assistant Director of Child Health Specialty Clinics, Department of Pediatrics at the University of Iowa Hospital until his retirement in 1991; and

WHEREAS, throughout many years, he offered his priestly ministry in regular supply work in various congregations around the diocese, with unfailing good humor and tact; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 he was made an honorary Canon of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, in recognition of the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2021, after 66 years as a priest, this faithful servant entered the Church Expectant; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa, gives thanks for his faithful ministry on so many fronts; and that we extend our heartfelt appreciation for his witness and care for the larger community; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that we offer our sincere love and condolences to his wife Jean and to his children, along with our prayers for comfort and peace.

Submitted by the Rev. Cn. Kathleen Milligan

Memorial Resolution for The Rev. Kathleen (Kathy) Ruth McDowell Tripses, Deacon

WHEREAS, the Rev. Dcn. Kathy Tripses entered into eternal life on December 29, 2021, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, she was ordained to the diaconate by The Rt. Rev. C. Christopher Epting at St. Anne's by the Fields in Ankeny, Iowa on April 7, 2001; and

WHEREAS, she served as Deacon of St. Anne's until her retirement April 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, she and her husband opened their home for St. Anne's for worship and breaking barbeque bread together, and were instrumental in St. Anne's choir; and

WHEREAS, she was a mentor to others, quietly modeling the caring and giving universal love that Jesus taught us. She quietly served wherever and whomever God called her to serve; and

WHEREAS, she quietly went about her diaconal work, visiting the sick and homebound; knitting prayer shawls; leading small groups and praying without ceasing; working with a food bank; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Diocese of Iowa recognizes and gives thanks for, Kathy's abundant sharing of her gifts, her compassion, her warmth, and her kindness to all; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa give thanks to God for the life and ministry of Deacon Kathy among us, and extends its sympathies to her family and the people of St. Anne's whom she so lovingly served, and be it further

RESOLVED, that we commend this resolution to the 2022 Annual Convention for its affirmation; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to members of her family, along with our deep sympathy and prayers for all of them.

Submitted by The Rev. Dcn. Judith Crossett

Memorial Resolution for The Rev. Sallie Cheavens Verrette

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Rev. Sallie Cheavens Verrette's birth in 1932 in El Paso, Texas, began a rich earthly life of travel, curiosity, and learning. Over her journey she lived in Samne, Peru; Arizona; California; Nevada; Texas; Washington; Montana; Dijon and Paris, France; Berkeley, California; and with her husband Victor made a home base in Grinnell, Iowa where they raised

their children. Later, Sallie made many retreats to what was a spiritual home away from home with the Benedictine Sisters, Mt. St. Scholastica in Atchison, Kansas.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Sallie's exploration of the world was a reflection of her bright, active mind, one that brought her a summa cum laude BA in French from Willamette University, a Fulbright Scholarship, graduate work at University of California, Berkeley, a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Iowa, and the ability to read for Holy Orders.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That her travel and open heart ultimately lead her to hear God's call on her life, a call she first heard in the American Cathedral in Paris. She was ordained a priest in 2007, her 75th year, and was certified as a Spiritual Director from the Benedictine Sisters at Mt. St. Scholastica. As transitional deacon and then priest, Sallie served the people of St. Paul's, Marshalltown, where, thanks to her gift in language, she was able to provide help to Spanish speaking families in the wake of a raid by I.C.E.. She served the people of St. Paul's in Grinnell, her home church, by celebrating the Eucharist with them during a time of transition between rectors. There, too, she served as a Spiritual Director for a parishioner in discernment, and by being a dear colleague, confessor and spiritual friend to the rector.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That after sixty years of marriage when her beloved husband Victor died, and Sallie went to live at the Mayflower Community in Grinnell, she continued as a spiritual guide and priest, touching many people in that community. She shared in leading chapel services, she was a meaningful representative of God's love to many staff and fellow residents, and when coming in person to St. Paul's became too difficult physically, she formed a weekly celebration of Communion and fellowship that became her own dear congregation at Mayflower.

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That, Sallie having chosen the Feast of the Epiphany as the day she would return to the Father, having run the race with enlightenment, intelligence, compassion and dedication, the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa gives thanks for her life and ministry among us. We know she is exploring the heavens with her usual curiosity and enthusiasm for travel, and her love of God.

We send our love and sympathy to her children Charlene, Claire and Paul, and to the entire Verrette family.

Submitted by The Rev. Wendy Abrahamson, St. Paul's Church, Grinnell

Memorial Resolution for The Reverend Judith C. Dalmasso

WHEREAS, The Reverend Judith C. Dalmasso was born February 15, 1946, raised and educated in Illinois, graduating from Augustana with a degree in accounting; and

WHEREAS, she then married The Reverend Gary Dalmasso who, together raised 4 children; and

WHEREAS, she helped her husband plant St. Mark Episcopal Church in Silvis and East Moline, Illinois, and worshiped there for a number years; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, having been involved in the Charismatic Renewal ministry, she and Gary began Renewal In Christ Ministries, faithfully bringing weekend retreats to those in Illinois, Missouri, Texas, Georgia and a longer renewal in the Netherlands each year; transforming lives in the process; and

WHEREAS, her true calling manifested when she answered the call to pursue orders in the priesthood, and after attending and graduating from Nashotah House Seminary in 2007, was ordained as an Episcopal Priest on the Feast of the Epiphany, 2008; and

WHEREAS, she served at Trinity Cathedral, Davenport, as associate Priest, and was then called to serve as Interim Dean of the Cathedral before returning to her duties as Priest when the current Dean was hired, where, in addition to her duties, she formed and was Chaplain to the Order of St. Luke and the Thursday Prayer Group, both of which are still active today; and

WHEREAS, she was in charge of the Pastoral Services, Parish Visitors, and coordinated the Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Eucharistic Visitors, and was instrumental in beginning full services at The Fountains, an assisted living facility, which is also currently active today; and

WHEREAS, upon her retirement in 2018 from Trinity, St. Alban's Episcopal, Davenport, was blessed to receive her as Priest-In-Charge on March 17, 2019, in which, in addition to her priestly duties, she provided bible studies in her home with her famous hospitality of study, food and fellowship, was fully supportive of those involved with the current Ministry Development Team (MDT) program; and

WHEREAS, during her short time with the people of St. Alban's before Covid-19 forced the doors to close, she provided lively sermons that demonstrated her heartfelt and passionate love of God, continuing those sermons and words of inspiration via social media during 2020; and

WHEREAS, upon her diagnosis, she still demonstrated that same passion of love, bringing light to dark places and humor to solemn places, until she could no longer bear the burden of her illness; and be it therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa, gives thanks for this faithful servant who brought light, humor and love of Christ, to so many people in her ministries of which we thank God, and be it further

RESOLVED, that we commend this resolution to the 2022 Annual Convention for its affirmation, and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to members of her family, along with our deep sympathy and prayers for all of her family, at home and across the globe.

Submitted by Robin Sade, St. Alban's Church, Davenport

Memorial Resolution The Reverend Canon Frederick "Fritz" Kramer

WHEREAS, the Reverend Canon Frederick Kramer was ordained in 1953 and began his ministry on the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota as vicar of Samuel Memorial Church, Naytahwaush, and St. Philip's, Rice Lake; and,

WHEREAS, he was appointed the Diocese of Minnesota's archdeacon for Indian work, and became an advocate for Native American youth who were sent to reform schools for truancy, which led to establishing the Archdeacon Gilfillan Treatment Center in Bemidji; and,

WHEREAS, in 1966, he was called as rector to St. Stephen's in Newton, Iowa, and began serving as chaplain at Skiff Medical Center as well; and,

WHEREAS, he helped establish the Hospice of Jasper County and served as a staff chaplain for 20 years; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of his service in the community, he was honored by the Iowa Filipino-American Association of Iowa for his service in WWII; received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Thai Dam People of the United States for "wholeheartedly assisting the Thai Dam people in making their new life and searching for their freedom;" and received an Appreciation Award for unique and sustaining contribution to the community mental health center movement by the Iowa Community Mental Health Centers Association of Iowa, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of his ministry, he was made a canon of the Episcopal cathedrals in Minneapolis and Des Moines, and was awarded a Doctor of Divinity by the Seminary of the Southwest; and,

WHEREAS, throughout many years after retirement, he offered his priestly ministry in regular supply work at All Saints, Indianola and to various congregations around the diocese; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2022, this faithful servant entered the Church Expectant; be it therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Iowa, gives thanks for his faithful ministry on so many fronts; and that we extend our heartfelt appreciation for his witness and care for the larger community; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that we offer our sincere love and condolences to Carol, his wife of 65 years, and his children, along with our prayers for comfort and peace.

Submitted by The Rev. Vincent Bete, St. Anne's by the Fields, Ankeny

Memorial Resolution The Reverend Melvin Leslie Low

WHEREAS, the Reverend Melvin Low was born on February 15, 1932; and whereas he was ordained deacon in the Diocese of Milwaukee, and priest in the Diocese of Massachusetts, both in 1974; and

WHEREAS, he came to lowa in 1983, to serve as Rector of Grace Church in Cedar Rapids; and

WHEREAS, from 1996 to 2006, he served as Priest-in-Charge at St. Thomas' Church in Algona, and Trinity Church in Emmetsburg; and

WHEREAS, following his retirement, he continued to serve the Diocese of Iowa providing Supply services for various congregations, most notably on a long-term basis for St. Mark's Church in Maquoketa; and

WHEREAS, during his time in Iowa, he served on the Board of Directors, on the Commission on Ministry, and on the Professional Development Leave Committee; and

WHEREAS, his passion for and commitment to the Cursillo movement led to his service as Spiritual Advisor for many weekends, where his cheerful presence and serious engagement with the Gospel made a deep impression on all who met him in those weekends; and

WHEREAS, he ultimately moved to Florida, where he entered into the Church Expectant on April 19th of this year, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Diocese of Iowa gives thanks for his life and witness in our midst, and commends him confidently to the God and Savior he served for so many years; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we extend our deep sympathies to his family and to his friends.

Submitted by The Rev. Cn. Kathleen S. Milligan, St. Stephen's, Newton

Memorial Resolution The Reverend Linda Arzelia Hutton

Whereas the Reverend Linda Arzelia Hutton came as a deacon from Oregon to Iowa in 1987, to bring her passion for Outdoor Ministry to the task of Director of the Episcopal Camp and Conference Center in Boone; and

Whereas, many who were impacted by her ministry in her years here, are now adults still active in diocesan life today; and

Whereas, she undertook to develop the facilities and market them to other groups and for other occasions; and

Whereas, while here she encouraged the embrace of Education for Ministry across the diocese; and

Whereas, in 1996, that emphasis took her to The School of Theology at the University of the South, where she directed that program and worked on the development of other forms of adult education; and

Whereas in 1997 she was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Epting; and whereas after some 10 years with the School of Theology, she served various congregations in the diocese of Tennessee; and

Whereas Linda entered the Church Expectant on October 14, 2022, be it

Resolved that the Diocese of Iowa gives abundant thanks to God for her ministry among us, and its lasting impact upon the people of this diocese and the wider church; and be it further

Resolved, that we extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray God's comfort for them.

Submitted by The Rev. Cn. Kathleen S. Milligan, St. Stephen's, Newton

At the conclusion of these resolutions, Bishop Monnot invited the prayers of our Chaplain, for all of these beloved servants, and for their families.

The bishop now called upon the Rev. Caldbeck for the Courtesy Resolutions. These were moved on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, duly seconded and passed.

Courtesy Resolution for The Reverend Mary Cole-Duvall

WHEREAS, The Rev. Mary Cole-Duvall became Rector of St. Timothy's in 2004 and continued that service for 18 action-packed years until her retirement in May 2022; and

WHEREAS, she has preached and taught the Gospel with integrity and intensity, developed and empowered lay leadership, promoted active youth engagement and education, and sparked discernment and formation of many clergy colleagues; and

WHEREAS, she has strengthened the congregation and the community through the nurture of many ministries, including the FreeStore, the Youth Justice Initiative, the Faith and Food Fund, and the Faith and Grace Garden; and

WHEREAS, she brought to Iowa her ebullient and engaged husband, the Rev. Milton Cole, who has been an active force in community activities; and

WHEREAS, Mary and Milton formed an association with Archbishop Samuel Peni and visited the Diocese of Nzara in South Sudan, planting the seeds of our diocesan partnership with Nzara; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Convention of the Diocese of Iowa hereby gives fervent thanks to God for Mary's faithful ministry to the people of St. Timothy's and the Diocese of Iowa and wishes Mary and Milton many blessings and good health for a long and fruitful retirement.

Submitted by Ms. Suzy Coen, Senior Warden, and Mr. William Smith, St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines.

Courtesy Resolution for The Reverend (Lt. Col) Martha Kester

Whereas, the Reverend Martha Kester came to Iowa in 2006, and was ordained a priest on December 2nd of that year, serving as the Associate at St. Luke's Church, Des Moines; and

Whereas, in 2007, she was inducted as a chaplain in the Iowa National Guard; and

Whereas, she has now served in this capacity for 15 years; and

Whereas, in 2010 she was deployed with her unit in Afghanistan; and

Whereas, while on deployment she was elected as the Rector of St. Luke's Church, where she continues to serve; and

Whereas, after a stint in the Nebraska National Guard, she has now returned to lowa; and

Whereas, on October 22, 2022, Martha assumed the position of State Chaplain for the National Guard; and

Whereas, she was named to this position on the same day as another woman chaplain, so that together they would be the first women to serve as State Guard chaplains; be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa, recognizes this achievement and thanks her for her service to her units, and to these men and women who serve in the Guard, and that we pray God's blessing on her continuing work both in the Guard and in the parish; and be it further

Resolved, that we express our recognition and appreciation to the people of St. Luke's for the support provided to Chaplain Kester for this important extra-parochial commitment.

Courtesy Resolution The Very Reverend John Horn And the Reverend Jan "Raisin" Horn

Whereas the Very Reverend John Horn and the Reverend Raisin Horn came to Iowa in the early 1980s, where John joined the faculty at St. Ambrose University, teaching Botany; and

Whereas, they were active at Trinity Cathedral for a number of years, adding their voices to the choir; and

Whereas, both later affiliated with St. Peter's Church in Bettendorf; and

Whereas, their shared commitment to the life of the church eventually led both of them to embrace a call to the ordained ministry; and

Whereas, they graduated together from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in 2007, and were then ordained to the priesthood on June 16, 2007; and

Whereas, both before and after their ordinations, they were active in ministries around the diocese; offering their talents among other ways, to the Summer Ministries School and Retreat on multiple occasions; and

Whereas Raisin was a Deputy to General Convention numerous times, and served on the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for several triennia; and

Whereas, she served as the Episcopal Chaplain at the University of Iowa, while also serving as Associate at Trinity Church in Iowa City; and

Whereas, she has served as Rector of Christ Church in Clinton since 2017; and

Whereas, John served on the Standing Committee, and on the Board of Directors, including serving as the Vice President; and served as Alternate Deputy to General Convention in 2022; and.

Whereas he was called as Rector of Christ Church, in Burlington, before being called as the Dean of Trinity Cathedral in 2012; and

Whereas John and Raisin, having begun their ministry as priests on the same day, are now retiring on the same day, over 15 years later, in order to become full-time grandparents, and will be moving to Massachusetts for this new call; be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa recognizes with gratitude their leadership, both on the local, diocesan and national levels of the Church, and extends our love and best wishes for the blessing of God, as they begin their retirement.

Courtesy Resolution for The Honorable Maggie Tinsman

Whereas the Honorable Margaret "Maggie" Tinsman grew up on the Illinois side of the Quad Cities, as a member of the Congregational Church, and she headed west to attend college in the Rocky Mountain state where she met and later married the amazing and talented Hovey Tinsman, which brought Maggie into the Episcopal Church; and

Whereas, Maggie and Hovey moved to Bettendorf and became members of Trinity Cathedral in Davenport, where they began raising their children. When Church growth plans for the Quad Cities proposed starting two additional churches on the growing edge of the area, the Tinsmans readily answered the call and were of the first of the first members of St. Peter's in Bettendorf meeting in homes and celebrating Easter at Temple Emmanual; and

Whereas, by 1966 when a church building was on the horizon, Maggie and her family were driving spirits in not just the design of the building but in the building the congregation as well. In her typical community-minded nature, Maggie helped organize and lead a community-wide ecumenical outdoor Stations of the Cross and proudly remembers adding a feminist point of view to the language of some of the stations; and

Whereas, Maggie's commitment to her community extended far beyond the scope of her congregation, Maggie entered public service and was elected as a Scott County Supervisor, then later as a State Senator for the Quad City region. While serving in government, Maggie continued to serve on the vestry and working in church leadership at St Peter's and for the diocese; and

Whereas, Maggie has served numerous terms on the Standing Committee, Board of Directors, and a previous bishop search committee. Her longest term of diocesan service, however, was as deputy to General Convention, having served nine times or 27 years. As a GC deputy, she carefully reviewed every piece of legislation, was active several many committees, and was honored at this year's General Convention as a senior delegate.

Therefore, be it resolved that this 170th Diocesan Convention gives hearty and sincere thanks for the many years of dedicated and passionate service that Maggie has so selflessly provided on our behalf.

Courtesy Resolution for Brother James Michael Dowd, OSB

Whereas, with deep and prayerful gratitude, we delighted in the presence of, and wise communication of, Brother James Dowd; and

Whereas, Christian social justice is central to our lives and work, and his long experience has heartened us for the journey; and

Whereas he has taught us of the Benedictine Way in Omaha, and shared their resources with us, be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa expresses our appreciation to Brother James for his time with us, and asks God's continued blessing on him and on his whole community.

Courtesy Resolution for Bishop Lorna Halaas Western Iowa Synod, ELCA

Whereas, we joyously welcome Bishop Lorna Halaas' presence at this Convention, and

Whereas, we are grateful for our ongoing relationship with her and with the Western Iowa Synod, and look forward to more opportunities to collaborate and share resources; be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa thanks Bishop Halaas for her presence with us and gives thanks to God for our unity in the Gospel and our shared commitment to the mission to which God calls the church of Jesus Christ as expressed through Called to Common Mission.

Courtesy Resolution Companion Bishops Andrew Swift, Brechin; Dalcy Dlamini, Swaziland And Richard Aquilla, Nzara

Whereas, God has blessed the Diocese of Iowa greatly through our relationships with Brechin, Swaziland and Nzara, and

Whereas, our Companion relationships have given us many opportunities to worship, work and learn together over many years, be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa deeply thanks the Rt. Rev. Andrew Swift, bishop of the Diocese of Brechin in Scotland; the Rt. Rev. Dalcy Dlamini, bishop of the Diocese of Swaziland in Eswatini; and the Rt. Rev. Richard Aquilla, bishop of the Diocese of Nzara in South Sudan for sharing their love and greetings with us through video.

Courtesy Resolution for The Rev. Very Don Compier, the Dean of Bishop Kemper School for Ministry

Whereas, we have celebrated having among us the Rev. Dr. Don Compier, dean of the Bishop Kemper School for Ministry (BKSM) in Topeka, Kansas; and

Whereas, we are grateful to have learned more about this unique collaborative venture among the Episcopal Dioceses of Nebraska, West Missouri and Western Kansas, be it therefore

Resolved, that this 170th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa expresses our gratitude for this opportunity to build a relationship with this school and with its leader, and we give thanks for the School as a source for the formation of laity and clergy in our region.

Courtesy Resolution for Convention Planners and Staff

With amazing grace, the lowa Diocesan Convention is organized and administered by a tiny staff and a handful of hardworking volunteers. We appreciate the inspiration and skilled work of Bishop Betsy. Especially crucial and deeply appreciated are the staff's, and volunteers' hard work, creativity, organizational skills, technical skills, dedication and willingness to work long hours. Thank you all for making our convention run smoothly and lovingly.

Courtesy Resolution for the Cathedral Church of St Paul

We the people of the Diocese of Iowa offer grateful appreciation to the Dean, chapter, staff, choir, and people of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul for hosting the convention liturgies. The gift of beautiful space, skillful people and beautiful music provide profound spiritual foundations for the work of convention and the work of the diocese. We express our thanks as well for the technical equipment and expertise to livestream the services, and the beautiful sharing of bell tower music. We thank you for lovingly sharing and for supporting us all.

Courtesy Resolution for the Liturgy Planners and Leaders

Dearest spiritual guides of our corporate life, we love that you gave of yourselves, your ideas and your wisdom to create for us liturgies to start and sustain our communal gathering as a diocese. These help us know that God is among us.

Bishop Monnot then announced her appointments for the coming year.

Diocesan Pension Fund Treasurer:

Ms. Anne Wagner

Editor of Iowa Connections

Ms. Traci Ruhland Petty

Companion Diocese Coordinators

Mr. Jim Conger (New Song, Coralville)

Diocese of Brechin

The Rev. Stacey Gerhart (All Saints', Storm Lake & St. Thomas' Sioux City)

Ms. Amy Mellies (Diocese of Iowa)

Diocese of Swaziland

The Rev. Abigail Livingood (Trinity, Waterloo)

Diocese of Nzara

Diocesan Global Missioner

The Rev. Melody Rockwell (Christ Church, Cedar Rapids)

Ecumenical Officer

The Rev. Jean McCarthy (St. Paul's Cathedral, Des Moines)

Diocesan Altar Guild Director

Ms. Stephanie Murphy (St. Paul's Cathedral)

Diocesan Disaster Relief Coordinator

The Rev. Holly Scherff (St. John's, Shenandoah)

Episcopal Relief and Development Ministry Partner

The Rev Holly Scherff

United Thank Offering Coordinator Team

The Rev. Diane and Mr. David Eddy

Commission on Ministry

Reappointed with terms expiring in 2025

The Honorable Greg Jones, St. Thomas', Sioux City

The Rev. Jane Stewart, New Song, Coralville

Ms. Sarah Thompson, Grace, Cedar Rapids

New Appointments through 2025

The Rev. John Greve, Grace, Cedar Rapids

The Rev. Kevin Powell, Trinity, Muscatine

Members continuing with terms expiring in 2024

The Rev. Stephen Benitz, St. John's, Mason City

The Rev. Jean Davis, St. Paul's, Des Moines

The Rev. Kris Leaman, St. Mark's, Fort Dodge

Ms. Deb Leksell, Good Shepherd, Webster City

Mr. C.J. Petersen, Trinity, Denison

Mr. John Stender-Custer, St. Paul's, Des Moines

Members continuing with terms expiring in 2023

Ms. Vicky Matthiessen Krause, Christ Church, Burlington

Ms. Karen McCallan, St. John's, Glenwood

The Rev. Melody Rockwell, Christ Church, Cedar Rapids

Mr. Kevin Sanders, Chair, St. Luke's, Cedar Falls

The Rev. Mel Schlachter, Iowa City retired

The Rev. Anne Williams, St. Mark's, Anamosa

Professional Development Leave Committee

Terms expiring 2025

The Rev. Dr. Kevin Goodrich, St. John's, Dubuque

Dr. David Smith, Grace, Decorah

Continuing with other ongoing members

Dr. Catherine Gillespie, St. Paul's, Des Moines (2024)

The Rev. Dr. Mary Jane Oakland, Ames (2024)

Mr. Kevin Sanders, St. Luke's, Cedar Falls (2023)

Diocesan Historiographer

Dr. Hal Chase, St. Andrew's, Des Moines

Diocesan Representative to Province VI Council

Ms. Ann McLaughlin (2025), Good Shepherd, Webster City

Bishop Monnot expressed her thanks for those who are willing to serve, with special thanks for those whose terms are ending.

Board of Directors: At-large members, John Greve and Raven Skye Haller;

Chapter Reps, Mary Halstead, (Central); The Rev. Kris Leaman (North Central); Mary Neis (South Central).

Commission on Ministry: Vincent Bete; Stacey Gerhart, David Moore.

Standing Committee: Kathleen Milligan, Aileen Chang-Matus.

Professional Development Committee: David Smith, Kevin Goodrich

2022 Summer Ministries School and Retreat

The Revs. Jean McCarthy and Kathleen Milligan (and to their collaborators, The Revs. Jane Stewart, Jean Davis and Abigail Livingood)

And again, special thanks to our Nzara Companion Coordinators, Ray Gaebler (concluding) and Abigail Livingood (continuing); and Diocesan Altar Guild Director, Stephanie Wells.

Bishop Monnot requested a motion for the publication of Convention Minutes and Constitution and Canons.

Elaine Caldbeck moved that the Minutes of the 170th Convention along with the Constitution and Canons, be published. The motion was seconded and carried.

After making some announcements concerning preparation for the Banquet that evening, the bishop called on the Rev. Jean McCarthy, chair of Dispatch of Business Committee for her final report. On behalf of her committee, she certified that the business of the 170th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Iowa has been completed.

Bishop Monnot then adjourned her first Convention as president.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Cn. Kathleen S. Milligan

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Secretary of Convention

Attest:

The Rt. Rev. Betsey Monnot

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