181st Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Florida

Resolution 2024-07 Submitted by: The Standing Committee Title: Admission of St. Cyprian's as a Parish

WHEREAS, St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, St. Augustine, Florida, has held worship services since 1893, having its roots in the African-American community in the Lincolnville area and is today after 131 years a growing and thriving Episcopal congregation.

WHEREAS, The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Florida has reviewed the necessary documents and are satisfied that the Congregants of St. Cyprian's Church have met all the requirements of Canon 18 of the Canons of the Diocese of Florida specifically establishing and adhering to the Articles of Association as follows:

Article I. This Parish shall be known by the name of "The Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. Cyprian's at St. Augustine."

Article II. This Parish acknowledges, accedes to, and adopts, and shall at all times adhere to the doctrine, discipline, worship, rites and usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and likewise the Constitution and Canons of said Church, as set forth by the General Convention, and the Charter and Canons of the Church in the Diocese of Florida, as prescribed by the Diocesan Convention.

Article III. When any person uniting with this Association shall disclaim, or refuse, conformity to the authorities mentioned in the preceding article, such person shall cease to be a member of this Parish.

Article IV. The Wardens and Vestry of St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church shall be selected as provided in the Canons of the Diocese, and their duties shall be such as are conferred by said Canons.

Article V. Lay Delegates shall be selected to represent the Parish at the meetings of the Diocesan Convention as provided in the Canons of

the Diocese, and it shall be their duty to attend all such meetings duly called.

Article VI. The title to all property, tenements, and other estates, real or personal, given to or purchased on behalf of the Parish or otherwise acquired by the Parish, is and shall be vested in The Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Florida, Inc

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with Canon 18 of the Diocese of Florida, that St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church hereby be admitted into union with this 181st Diocesan Convention as a parish of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Florida.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we welcome with great joy and celebration the congregation of St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, St. Augustine as a Parish of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Florida.

Respectfully submitted by The Rev. Teresa Seagle, President on behalf of the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Florida.