Episcopal Diocese
OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Fifty-eighth Annual Diocesan Convention
November 7, 2026

Second Reading of the Constitutional Amendment

Amendment A-2: Form Redactions to the Constitution

RESOLVED**:** That this 58th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Central Florida amend the Constitution as follows:

Original Language:

Article III, paragraph 2
Purpose

The Diocese of Central Florida acknowledges itself to be called and sent to exercise the ministry of Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit, celebrating and proclaiming the mystery of redemption to the praise of God's glory, the benefit of His Church and the salvation of the world. To this end the Diocese acknowledges its duty to provide for the worship and honor due Almighty God, to provide for the tradition of the Faith and the proclamation of the Gospel, to provide for the welfare of those given to its care, and to labor to demonstrate the truth in love that the Kingdom of Christ be advanced in the world and that the Church be edified into Christ.

Article VII, Section 1, paragraph 2
Management of Affairs

The election of a Bishop shall he made in an annual Convention, or in a special Convention called by the Ecclesiastical Authority for that purpose; and of the meeting of such special Convention at least 30 days notice shall be given. To the choice of a Bishop the concurrent vote, by ballot, of a majority of the clergy and of the lay members present in the Convention, voting separately, shall be necessary.

Article IX
Amendments

This charter may be amended by resolution adopted by two successive Conventions of the Diocese; provided, however, the second Convention must be held at least 30 days after the first one. An amendment must be approved by a majority of the Convention first considering it and by a two-thirds majority of each order, voting separately, by the Convention finally adopting the amendment.

Proposed Changes to Language:

(1) In Article III, in the second paragraph, insert a space after the first sentence.
(2) In Article VII.1, in the second paragraph, replace the word “he” with “be”.
(3) In Article IX, replace the word “charter” with “Constitution”.

Rationale:

This resolution was presented and adopted by majority vote at the 57th Annual Convention of the Diocese. It presents minor corrections to the Constitution, eliminating a typographical error, what is likely an OCR scanning error when the Constitution was, at some previous point, digitized, and finally replaces an archaic term to be more consistent with current use and language throughout the Constitution and Canons. The effect of these amendments is entirely to remove errors from our Constitution and ensure clarity.