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TEMA/TÍTULO: Ministerios de Campamento

PROPONENTE: Rvmo. Obispo James R. Mathes

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Se resuelve, con la aprobación de la Cámara de _____ que la 76ª Convención General instruya al Área de Formación Juvenil del Centro de Evangelismo y Vida Congregacional que ayude a las diócesis con sus ministerios de campamento por medio de la creación y diseminación de programas de estudio, recursos y acontecimientos de capacitación, tanto en inglés como en español, durante el siguiente trienio; y asimismo

Se resuelve que la Convención General solicite al Comité Permanente Conjunto sobre Programa, Presupuesto y Finanzas que considere una asignación presupuestaria de US$60.000 durante este trienio para la ejecución de esta resolución.

EXPLANATION:

A Gallup poll found that 85% of people who have made a faith commitment did so before age 18. Barna Research Group, September 1994. Episcopal camps touch the lives of more than 300,000 children and youth each year. The future growth of the Episcopal Church membership depends on Christian formation and spiritual development provided by our camping programs. Episcopal camps have developed and nurtured clergy and lay leaders of the Episcopal Church for more than 12 decades. A report by the Lilly Endowment found that the single greatest commonality among clergy and lay church leaders was a positive religious camp experience. American Camp Association, February 2005. Since 1976 there have been no personnel or financial resources from General Convention dedicated to camping ministry. Now many dioceses are in desperate need of assistance with resources, training and leadership development for camping ministry.This resolution will provide funds for collaboration between the Episcopal Church Center Youth Formation Area and Episcopal Camps and Conference Centers, Inc. (ECCC), for the development of Episcopal summer camp curricula as well as training materials and events in Christian formation and spiritual development for camp program staff, and for assisting dioceses in developing and/or maintaining youth camping programs. Curricula and resources will be available without charge in downloadable formats in both English and Spanish. This will also enable the involvement of many more Spanish speaking youth.ECCC is a separately incorporated national association that supports the directors and board members of the 114 Episcopal conference centers and summer camps. The mission of Episcopal Camps and Conference Centers, Inc. is to sustain and enhance the ministry of all camps and conference centers of the Episcopal Church and to develop servant leaders of all ages in the image of Jesus Christ: by nurturing professional growth and development of current and future leaders; fostering

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excellence in the operation and services of member centers; strengthening the network of communication, collegiality, and support among leaders of centers; securing faithful financial resources to sustain and expand the ministry of ECCC, and advocating for camp and conference ministry within the wider Church.The enormous financial, social and regulatory challenges we face today require collaboration and combined resources of the Youth Formation Area and ECCC to maintain the health, and to increase the effectiveness, of Episcopal camps, their programs, and their leadership.

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