

TEMA/TÍTULO: Violencia: Prevención de la Violencia Doméstica

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- 1 *Se resuelve*, con la aprobación de la Cámara de _____ que la 76^a Convención General se exprese
 2 claramente contra la difundida práctica de la violencia doméstica; y asimismo
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 4 *Se resuelve* que los miembros de la Convención General pacten orar por las víctimas y sus
 5 familias; y asimismo
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 7 *Se resuelve* que pidamos a los organismos interinos apropiados que evalúen y recomienden la
 8 utilización de la capacitación existente preparada para la prevención de la violencia a fin de
 9 contrarrestar la cultura que la sustenta; y asimismo
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 11 *Se resuelve* que la Convención General anime a todos los clérigos episcopales y liderazgo laico
 12 para que asuman la responsabilidad de participar en la capacitación que tengan a su disposición.

EXPLANATION:

According to Department of Justice statistics, in the last five years, more women in the US have been killed by the men they live with, or used to live with, than American soldiers have been killed in war. The loss of these precious lives, and the grief suffered by their families, is a national tragedy. Thousands more women are battered, abused, and humiliated. Thousands of children are exposed to conditions that breed more batterers, as well as more victims. Yet, where is the outrage against the cycle of violence? Who will speak for these victims? Advocacy groups, one being the Alabama Council Against Domestic Violence, recognize that faith traditions have great influence on the culture of permissiveness surrounding this behavior. They have developed powerful programs to educate church leadership in prevention and pastoral care for those involved in domestic violence situations. These programs and trainers would gladly share their knowledge at no cost to us; however, they have found it extremely difficult to persuade clergy and lay leadership of the need to participate. Consequently, church leaders have all too often exacerbated the problem, inadvertently creating a culture of permissiveness. The focus and priority of the Episcopal Church on peace and justice issues, in the spirit of Ubuntu, makes this convention a perfect advocate to speak out against domestic violence. Furthermore, with a resolve to take action, we have the ability to become leaders in transforming cultures that accept such cycles of violence.

BALLOT RESULTS:

Endorser(s): The Very Rev. Edward O'Connor, The Rev. John Pollock