

Draft Resolution
UN DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

RESOLVED: That this General Synod

1. Fully endorses the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted by the UN General Assembly on 13 September 2007;
2. Requests the General Secretary to call on the Government of Canada to reverse its negative position and to endorse the UN Declaration in compliance with the will of the majority of the Members of Parliament which approved the endorsement and implementation of the Declaration in the House of Commons on 8 April 2008;
3. Accepts the invitation from KAIROS to adopt the Declaration as a standard for our own practice and commits to implementing the values and principles of the *Declaration* within the work and structures of General Synod;
4. Encourages dioceses and parishes to urge their municipalities, provinces or territories to endorse the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

RATIONALE: To be drafted.