

**THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA
GENERAL SYNOD 2023
RESOLUTION**

Resolution Number A101

Subject: Motion Responding to GS 2019 Resolution C005 – Commissioning a Document on History, Structure, and Governance of The Anglican Church of Canada

Moved By: Chancellor Canon David P. Jones, K.C.

Seconded By: The Ven. Alan T. Perry

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

Commission a short document describing the history, structure, and governance of the various levels of the Church in Canada, with particular reference to the role and work of the national Church by General Synod.

Source: Governance Working Group

Submitted By: Governance Working Group

Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes **No**

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes **No**

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND

General Synod 2019 passed the following resolution:

[Resolution C005—Constitutional Review \(as amended\)](#)

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

Direct Council of General Synod to review the composition of the membership and the rules of order and procedure of General Synod and bring forward any recommended changes for consideration at the 2022 General Synod.

At the November 2021 meeting, the Council of General Synod directed the Governance Working Group to proceed with the steps necessary to implement the working group’s five proposals to respond to Resolution C005.

In the course of its work, the Governance Working Group realized that there needs to be a better understanding of the history, structure, and governance of the whole Church in Canada, and especially the work of the National Church.

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTION (G)

In the normal course, an ordinary motion must be passed by a majority of the members of General Synod present and voting together.

Six members of General Synod may, prior to the question being put, require a vote by Orders, with a majority of each Order being necessary to pass.

If a question passes on a Vote by Orders, any six members (two from each of three different dioceses) may immediately before the next item of business require a vote to be taken by dioceses. A motion passes if a majority (or a tie) of dioceses vote in favour.

Source: Sections 4 and 5 of the [Declaration of Principles](#) and sections 18, 19 and 20 of the [Rules of Order and Procedure](#).