## **RESOLUTION 2022-02**

## A Resolution from the Racial Healing Commission

Whereas Racism is an evil that affects our society in both personal and structural terms;

Whereas previous Annual Conventions of the Diocese of East Carolina (2008 and 2011) have adopted resolutions concerning the evil that is Racism, and in keeping with the work begun in the Episcopal Church in 1990;

Whereas combating this evil requires education, self-examination, and repentance;

Whereas we are called, in our Baptismal Covenant, "to strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being;"

Resolved, this 139th Annual Convention holds that it is incumbent upon every Christian to advocate for change and work to recognize the role race plays in our personal lives, communities and nation, and calls upon all Episcopalians in our Diocese to refocus on these efforts, both individually and collectively.

Adopted the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 by the 139<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina.

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