

Resolution E-185
Mental Health Awareness Sunday

Submitted by the Diocese of Missouri's GC81 Deputation

The following has been forwarded to Dioceses per Resolution 2024-A079 of the 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Missouri designate as Mental Health Awareness Sunday a Sunday close to October 10th, which is World Mental Health Day; and be it further

Resolved, That the common objective is to raise awareness of the impact that stigma has on preventing open dialogue about mental health and mental illness with our families, our Church, and our communities; and be it further

Resolved, That the Diocese of Missouri encourage the education of its clergy and laity on how to support individuals with mental illness and their caregivers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Diocese of Missouri post a reminder through their primary communication channels to encourage participation in Mental Health Awareness Sunday; and be it further

Resolved, That we add our voices and prayers with those around the world seeking care and attention to treat mental illness.

Explanation:

The original text of Resolution 2024-A079 which was Concurred (passed by the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops) is as follows:

Resolution Text

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Resolved, That the common objective is to raise awareness of the impact that stigma has on preventing open dialogue about mental health and mental illness with our families, our Church, and our communities; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church encourage the education of its clergy and laity on how to support individuals with mental illness and their caregivers; and be it further

Resolved, That the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church send this resolution to each Diocese of the Episcopal Church to post a reminder through their primary communication channels to encourage participation in Mental Health Awareness Sunday; and be it further

Resolved, That we add our voices and prayers with those around the world seeking care and attention to treat mental illness.