

**Resolution Number:** 2009-D011  
**Title:** Reaffirm the Principles With Regard to the Prolongation of Life  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred as Amended  
**Final Text:**

***Resolved, That the 76th General Convention reaffirm Resolution 1991-A093a of the 70th General Convention, as amended in Resolution 1994-A056 of the 71st General Convention regarding Principles With Regard to the Prolongation of Life; and be it further***

***Resolved, That the 76th General Convention calls on dioceses and congregations of this Church to become informed of the laws of states and policies of health care institutions regarding decisions at the end of life and regarding medical futility; and be it further***

***Resolved, That the 76th General Convention commend chaplains endorsed by the Office of the Suffragan Bishop for Armed Forces, Federal Institutions and Chaplaincies, members of the Assembly of Episcopal Healthcare Chaplains and of National Episcopal Healthcare Ministries, and chaplains certified by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, the Association of Professional Chaplains, or the College of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy as appropriate resource persons for discussions regarding ethical care, medical futility and decisions at the end of life.***

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Anaheim, 2009* (New York: General Convention, 2009), pp. 537-538.