



**Resolution Number:** 2022-D045  
**Title:** Support the Protection of LGBTQI+ Refugees and Asylum Seekers  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred  
**Final Text:**

*Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church express its full support of the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) and IOM (International Organization for Migration) in their mission to protect LGBTQI+ persons forced to seek refugee or asylee status because they fear being persecuted based on their sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and/or sex characteristics (SOGIESC); and be it further*

*Resolved, That the General Convention urge all nations, especially the United States, to actively accept vulnerable SOGIESC refugees and asylees, and not send them back to their countries of origin, where they face persecution, violence, prison and possible death; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Episcopal Migration Ministries highlight the issues surrounding LGBTQI+ refugees and asylees and offer information on ways of support, including these, for example, in their Toolkit for Congregations.*

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Baltimore, 2022* (New York: General Convention, 2023), pp. 495-496.