

General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2024 Archives' Research Report

Resolution No.: 2024-A124
Title: Authorize the Trial Use Commemoration of Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i -- First Reading
Proposer: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music
Topic: Church Calendar, Lesser Feasts/Fasts

Directly Related: (Attached)

2022-D025 Refer a Resolution on Commemorating Queen Lil'iuokalani of Hawai'i (Referred)
2015-C002 Refer a Resolution to Include Queen Lili'uokalani in the Church Calendar (Referred)

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

2018-A065 Authorize Continued Use of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts* 2006

Supplemental Documents: (Linked)

[Commemoration of Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i](#)

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2022, selecting "direct" resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The "direct" resolutions are attached and "indirect" resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#).

A124 - Authorize the trial use Commemoration of Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i -- First Reading

Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Requests New Interim Body: No

Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib: No

Directs Dfms Staff: No

Directs Dioceses: No

Directs Executive Council: No

HiA: No House Assigned

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: No Committee Assigned

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 81st General Convention authorize the trial use addition of Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i to the Calendar of the Church on January 29; and it further

Resolved, That the 81st General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music edit these propers for inclusion in Lesser Feasts and Fasts.

Explanation

In the Diocese of Hawai'i, Lili'uokalani is usually commemorated on the anniversary of her death, November 11. Because this is the feast of Martin of Tours, a very popular saint to many Episcopalians, and also Veteran's Day/Remembrance Day, the Commission believes that more people would celebrate Lili'uokalani's feast if it were kept on a different date. We have suggested the date of her coronation as queen. However, under the rubrics permitting local commemorations, it would still be fully permissible for parishes and dioceses to use the traditional date of November 11.

Support Document:

[Commemoration of Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i](#)



Resolution Number: 2022-D025
Title: Refer a Resolution on Commemorating Queen Liliuokalani of Hawai'i
Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognize Queen Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i, whose exemplary Christian life provides a model of a strong indigenous woman for the entire Episcopal Church by her nonviolent response to imperialism and oppression, and an unfailing commitment to justice and reconciliation, by adding her commemoration to the calendar of Lesser Feasts and Fasts (or such other calendar as may be adopted for the use of The Episcopal Church) on November 11th with the following Collect and Propers:

COLLECT:

Almighty God, we praise your Name for Queen Lili'uokalani, who, in the midst of great adversity remained steadfast in her commitment to peace, forgiveness and of service to you. Accept, we pray, our gratitude for her perseverance, her gift of song, and her love for her people. All this we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

LESSONS:

Isaiah 26:1-8

Psalm 57:7-11 (or the whole Psalm)

Colossians 3:12-15

Matthew 5:38-45

PROPER PREFACE (Of A Saint-1)

For the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all your saints, who have been the chosen vessels of your grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Baltimore, 2022* (New York: General Convention, 2023), p. 642.



Resolution Number: 2015-C002
Title: Refer a Resolution to Include Queen Lili'uokalani in the Church Calendar
Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 78th General Convention of the Episcopal Church take the appropriate actions to consider and then to include a Commemoration each year for Queen Lili'uokalani in Holy Women, Holy Men or any subsequent Calendar of Commemoration.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Salt Lake City, 2015* (New York: General Convention, 2015), p. 920.