

Resolution 2024-02: Resolution About the Ongoing Conflict in the Holy Land

Whereas we acknowledge that all people are made in the image of God (Genesis 1:27) and all life comes from God, with human life, in particular, being sacrosanct (Genesis 2:7, John 1:4 and Psalm 104:30). And while we acknowledge the complexity of the situation in the Holy Land and the need for a peaceful political solution to legitimate grievances, we reject that this complexity is an excuse for violence. Finally, whereas we realize that indifference to the plight of others has led to the death of millions, we acknowledge that the body of Christ cannot be indifferent.

Resolved, we call for a cease-fire by all parties in the conflict and the release of all hostages. We condemn the use of religion for the taking of human life or the promotion of any form of hatred or injustice. We also call upon our elected officials to remove any political obstacles so that this conflict can be resolved justly to achieve peace.

We ask that the Secretary of Convention forward this resolution to our Elected State and Federal representatives.

Adopted the 10th day of February, 2024 by the 141st Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina.

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Secretary of Convention