
*The Church of England in Australia Constitution
Assenting Ordinance 1957.*

No. 4, 1957.

AN ORDINANCE to assent to the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia as approved by the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania on the Sixth day of October, 1955, as revised by the Continuation Committee appointed by resolution of the said General Synod; to repeal "The Church of England in Australia Constitution Assenting Ordinance 1950"; to make provision for and with respect to the promotion of an Act of Parliament to give legal force and effect to such Constitution; and for purposes connected therewith.

WHEREAS by "The Church of England in Australia Constitution Assenting Ordinance 1950" the assent of the Church of England in the Diocese of Sydney acting through the Synod of the Diocese was given subject to the provisions of the said Ordinance to the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia as designated in the Schedule to the said Ordinance.

AND WHEREAS by reason of circumstances subsequent to the passing of the said Ordinance the said Ordinance has ceased to have effect and it is expedient to repeal the said Ordinance.

AND WHEREAS by resolution of General Synod of 1955 a revised draft Constitution subject to certain amendments and modifications therein set out or authorised to be made was adopted.

AND WHEREAS by the said resolution a Continuation Committee was appointed and empowered to make such corrections of a non-contentious character as might seem to it necessary or desirable.

AND WHEREAS the Constitution described in the Schedule hereto was prepared by the said Continuation Committee in accordance with the terms of the said resolution.

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AND WHEREAS the said Continuation Committee was also empowered by the said resolution to do and promote the doing of all such things as it might deem expedient for bringing the Constitution into operation having regard to the provisions of Section 72 thereof.

AND WHEREAS the Constitution is to take effect as provided in Section 68 thereof and to apply to every Diocese in Australia which assents thereto.

AND WHEREAS the assent of the Church of England within a Diocese having a Synod is to be given by an Ordinance of its Synod.

Now the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney in pursuance of all powers hereunto enabling it hereby directs ordains and declares as follows:—

1. The assent of the Church of England in the Diocese of Sydney acting through the Synod of the Diocese is hereby given subject to the provisions of this Ordinance to the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia as approved by the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania on the Sixth day of October 1955 as revised by the Continuation Committee appointed by resolution of the said General Synod, and in accordance with the terms thereof which Constitution is described in the Schedule hereto.

2. The assent given by this Ordinance shall not take effect unless and until the Parliament of New South Wales and the Parliaments of at least four (4) other States have passed Acts giving effect to the Constitution.

3. A Select Committee to be appointed by the Synod of the Diocese shall co-operate with the other Dioceses in New South Wales and the Continuation Committee of General Synod in preparing draft Acts of Parliament for giving legal effect to the Constitution.

4. The Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese is hereby authorised in the name of the Diocese:—

(a) to approve the said draft Acts.

(b) to endeavour to obtain the passing of the Act to be presented to the Parliament of New South Wales as soon as possible.

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5. "The Church of England in Australia Constitution Assenting Ordinance 1950" is hereby repealed.

6. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Church of England in Australia Constitution Assenting Ordinance 1957."

SCHEDULE.

The Constitution of the Church of England in Australia approved by the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania on the Sixth day of October, 1955, as revised by the Continuation Committee appointed by resolution of the said General Synod passed the said Sixth day of October, 1955, which resolution authorised the said Continuation Committee to make such corrections of a non-contentious character as might seem to it necessary or desirable as certified by the signature of R. Clive Teëce, Chairman of Committees of General Synod on the Seventh day of February, 1956.

I certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

W. G. HILLIARD, Bishop,
Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney this 21st day of March, 1957.

S. H. DENMAN, } Secretaries
H. V. ARCHINAL } of Synod

I assent to this Ordinance.

HOWARD SYDNEY

Archbishop of Sydney.

21/3/1957.