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*Provincial Synod Ordinance for the Confirmation of  
Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) Assenting Ordinance 1965*

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No. 33, 1965.

AN ORDINANCE for accepting and adopting an Ordinance passed by the Provincial Synod of the Province of New South Wales on the 24th day of August, 1965, intituled "Provincial Ordinance for the Confirmation of Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) 1965."

WHEREAS a certain Ordinance was passed by the Provincial Synod of the Province of New South Wales on the 24th day of August, 1965, intituled "Provincial Ordinance for the Confirmation of Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) 1965," a copy of which is contained in the Schedule annexed to this Ordinance.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Ordinance shall be accepted and adopted by the Church in this Diocese.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney in pursuance of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the Constitutions for the Management and Good Government of the Church of England within the State of New South Wales ordains and rules:

1. That the said Ordinance and the articles and provisions therein contained and each and every one of them shall be and the same are and is hereby accepted and adopted and after the said ordinance takes effect shall so far as the same are applicable be applied to the management and government of the Church in this Diocese in like manner as if the said Ordinance and the articles and provisions therein contained and each and every one of them had been ordained and ruled by the Synod of this Diocese.

2. This Ordinance may be cited as Provincial Synod Ordinance for the Confirmation of Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) Assenting Ordinance 1965.

SCHEDULE  
PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
BISHOPS' ELECTIONS (N.S.W.) 1965

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the confirmation as to Canonical fitness of persons elected to be Diocesan Bishops in the Province of New South Wales.

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WHEREAS Section eight of the Constitution for the Church of England in Australia (hereinafter called the said Constitution) provides that the election of a bishop of a diocese shall as to the canonical fitness of the person elected be subject to confirmation as prescribed by ordinance of the Provincial Synod NOW this Synod of the Province of New South Wales (hereinafter called the Province) in pursuance of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the said Constitution and by the Constitutions for the management and good government of the Church of England within the State of New South Wales 1902 (hereinafter called the Constitutions) ordains prescribes and rules as follows:

1. When in any diocese of the said Province a person shall be elected to be the bishop of such diocese, the president of the Synod of such diocese, or if the See be vacant, the person appointed or entitled to exercise the powers of the bishop of such diocese under or pursuant to the 26th of the Constitutions shall forthwith transmit the name of such person together with a certificate of his election to the Metropolitan.

2. On receiving any such certificate the Metropolitan shall forthwith communicate the election to the other diocesan bishops of the Province.

3. If three or more diocesan bishops are satisfied as to the canonical fitness of the person so elected, the confirmation of the election of such person shall be duly certified under the hand and seal of the Metropolitan. Provided that the election of a person who at the time of his election is already a Bishop of the Church of England in Australia shall not require to be confirmed.

4. An election shall be deemed to have been communicated to any diocesan bishop if notice in writing thereof has been posted by prepaid registered mail addressed to him at his Registry either in addition to or in lieu of any other mode or manner of communicating the same to him, and any such bishop to whom any such election shall have been communicated shall inform the Metropolitan in writing whether or not he is satisfied as to such canonical fitness provided that if the Metropolitan shall not have received any such reply within thirty days of such communication the bishop concerned shall be deemed to be satisfied.

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5. For the purposes of this Ordinance "Metropolitan" and "Canonical Fitness" shall have the same meaning respectively as they have in Sec. 74(1) of the said Constitution.

6. This Ordinance may be cited as the "Provincial Ordinance for the Confirmation of Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) 1965."

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

ATHOL RICHARDSON,  
Chairman of Committees

We certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by the Provincial Synod of the Province of New South Wales this 24th day of August, 1965.

W. CHAS. ARNOLD,  
W. L. J. HUTCHISON,  
Secretaries of Synod.

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

ATHOL RICHARDSON, Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney this 12th day of October, 1965.

K. N. SHELLEY, W. L. J. HUTCHISON,  
Secretaries of Synod.

I assent to this Ordinance.

HUGH SYDNEY, Archbishop of Sydney.

12/10/1965.

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