

✓ AN ORDINANCE

To give the assent of the Church of England within the Diocese of Grafton acting through the Synod of the Diocese specially summoned for the purpose to meet at Grafton on the third day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, to the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia.

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS a Constitution of the Church of England in Australia was agreed upon by the Archbishops, Bishops and duly elected representatives of the Clergy and Laity of the Dioceses of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania assembled in solemn convention in the city of Sydney in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and commended to the respective Dioceses with request that all necessary and proper steps be taken in order to secure the assent of the Church of England within the respective Dioceses to the Constitution and in order to secure the enactment by the Parliaments of the States of the Commonwealth of Australia of Acts for giving legal force and effect to the Constitution.

AND WHEREAS the General Synod of the Dioceses of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania convened in the same month and year in the city of Sydney under mandate from the Primate did likewise approve the Constitution and commend it to the respective Dioceses.

AND WHEREAS the Constitution is to take effect as provided in section fifty-nine thereof and is to apply to every Diocese

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in Australia which assents thereto. AND WHEREAS the assent of the Church of England within a Diocese is to be given through the Synod of the Diocese specially summoned for the purpose.

NOW the Bishop, the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton specially summoned and assembled in Synod for the purpose enact as follows:—

1. The assent of the Church of England in the Diocese of Grafton, acting through the Synod of the Diocese, is hereby given to the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia as agreed upon by the Archbishops, Bishops and duly elected representatives of the Clergy and Laity of the Dioceses of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania, assembled in solemn convention in the city of Sydney in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and approved by the General Synod, which constitution is set forth in the Schedule hereto.
2. The Council of the Diocese is hereby authorised in the name of the Diocese—
 - (a) To co-operate with the Consultative Committee of General Synod and with other Dioceses in New South Wales in preparing Drafts of Acts of Parliament for giving legal force and effect to the Constitution.
 - (b) To assent to such Drafts on behalf of the Diocese.
 - (c) To endeavor to obtain the passing of such Acts by the Parliament of New South Wales as soon as possible.

3. This Ordinance may be cited as

“The Australian Church Constitution Consenting Ordinance 1927.”

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO:

The Constitution of the Church of England in Australia.

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