DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE (TRANSITIONAL MINISTRY DISTRICT) 2022 Ordinance No. 5 of 2022

An Ordinance to amend the Diocesan Governance Ordinance to provide for Transitional Ministry Districts.

PREAMBLE

Whereas the requirements for the governance of a parish are contained in Chapter 10 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008; and

Whereas the Synod has determined that some parishes shall be Transitional Ministry Districts;

Whereas it is appropriate to include provisions in Chapter 10 concerning Transitional Ministry Districts;

Therefore, the Bishop-in-Council in pursuance of powers provided in clause 48.2 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 hereby decrees and enacts as follows:

AMENDMENTS

- Amend clause 75.5 by replacing "Where any one or more of the following conditions showing lack of membership or resources apply" with "Excepting where the Synod or Bishop-in-Council has by resolution designated a Parish as a Transitional Ministry District, where any one or more of the following conditions showing lack of membership or resources apply".
- 2. Insert in Chapter 10, immediately following Section 5, a new Section named "Section 6 Transitional Ministry District" with the following new clauses:

Determination of a Transitional Ministry District

- The Synod or Bishop-in-Council may by resolution determine that a Ministry Unit based on a geographical area be determined as a Transitional Ministry District where:
 - (a) continued operation as a distinct Parish is not assured and special attention is required to prepare the Transitional Ministry District for a viable future whether as a discrete unit or fully or partially incorporated into other Ministry Units; or
 - (b) a new Ministry Unit requires a period under special arrangements until its ongoing viability can be confirmed.
- 105.2 A record of Transitional Ministry Districts shall be maintained by the Registrar and a list of current Transitional Ministry Districts published in each Year Book of the Diocese.

Special conditions for a Transitional Ministry District

- For each Transitional Ministry District, the requirements of this Ordinance applicable to a Parish shall apply with the following exceptions:
 - (a) The representation at Synod provided in 43.1(f) reduces to one;
 - (b) Parish Nominators are not elected as per 83.1(i)
 - (c) Rights with regard to boundary changes in 72.3 and 72.5 do not apply.

- For each Transitional Ministry District, the Synod or Bishop-in-Council may by resolution determine to apply one or more of the following exceptions to the requirements of this Ordinance applicable to a Parish:
 - (a) Suspension of the holding of Annual General Meetings and Special Meetings as per 81.1 and following clauses;
 - (b) Appointment of a Management Committee to govern the Transitional Ministry District with the powers and responsibilities provided under this Ordinance to a Parish Council.

COMMENCEMENT

This Ordinance shall come into effect upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance may be cited as the Diocesan Governance Transitional Ministry District Ordinance 2022.

ASSENT

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by Bishop-in-Council on the Twenty-fourth day of February 2022 and that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.

Chair of Committees

I assent to this Ordinance.

25.2.22

Registrar

Date