



# Anglican Church of Australia

General Synod

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Diocesan Bishops  
**cc:** Diocesan Registrars  
**Subject:** **The Voice to Parliament**  
Standing Committee Resolutions 12 August 2023  
**Date:** 22 August 2023

As advised to you in my memorandum dated 8 June 2023, the General Synod Standing Committee had requested the Public Affairs Commission and NATSIAC to jointly prepare resources on the Voice to Parliament – Commonwealth Government Referendum, including summaries and theological reflections for use by Anglican parishes, schools and organisations.

At its meeting held on 12 August the General Synod Standing Committee made the following resolution regarding the resources that had been prepared:

### 7.1 **The Voice to Parliament – Commonwealth Government Referendum - Resources**

Resolution:

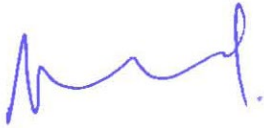
The Standing Committee:

1. received the report of the General Secretary dated 24 July 2023 forwarding a resource prepared by the Public Affairs Commission in preparation for the Commonwealth Government's Referendum on the Voice to Parliament
2. received the document "Understanding and responding to the referendum to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice – Resources for Use by Anglican Parishes, Schools and Organisations" compiled by the Public Affairs Commission
3. requested the General Secretary to circulate the resource to:
  - a) Diocesan Bishops and Registrars, recommending that the resource be made available to parishes
  - b) the Anglican Schools Association, recommending that the resource be made available to Anglican schools
  - c) Anglican organisations which report to the General Synod for information and application as required.
4. requested the General Secretary to publish the resource on the General Synod website at the page dedicated to [The Voice to Parliament](#).

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The [resource](#) has been published on the page for [The Voice to Parliament](#) on the General Synod website, along with other statements of support and resources provided by the entities within the national Church for information, dissemination and application as appropriate within your diocese.

Yours sincerely



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