

Constitution proposed changes reasoning

**ARTICLE I: TITLE AND BOUNDS OF THE DIOCESE**

General Convention 81 (2024) passed a resolution  
*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring,

That the 81st General Convention approve the expansion of the boundaries of the Diocese of Hawai'i to include Guam and Saipan, which currently comprise the Episcopal Church in Micronesia, and the extinguishment of the separate entity known as the Episcopal Church in Micronesia.

This proposed change to the Constitution complies with the General Convention resolution to expand the geographical boundaries of the Diocese of Hawaii to include the Territory of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

**Article III, Section 2(c)**

- To help with the scarcity of volunteers to serve and to help reduce costs, this changes the MINIMUM number of delegates to Diocesan Convention from three (3) to two (2)
- To avoid delays in calculating the number of Delegates, this wording uses the number of Communicants as reported on the Parochial Report from the previous year to two years prior.
- To avoid confusion as to who is a delegate when there are meetings of the Convention at times other than the Annual Meeting of the Convention, this changes the start and end dates of the delegates terms to coincide with the church's annual meeting instead of the Diocesan Annual Meeting.