

## **Resolution on Diocese of Alaska**

Whereas Alaska is the cradle of Orthodoxy in America:

Be it resolved that the 20th AAC asks the Holy Synod of Bishops to designate annually the Sunday closest to the December feast of St. Herman, for a free-will collection from each parish in the Orthodox Church in America to support the Diocese of Alaska Clergy Endowment.

## **Resolution on Ukraine**

The 20th All-American Council:

- Expresses support for the statements by His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and the Holy Synod condemning the aggression against Ukraine;
- Expresses support for His Beatitude Metropolitan Onuphry of Kyiv and the Ukrainian Orthodox Church;
- Condemns the attacks upon parishes, monasteries, and temples whether by military action, seizure by other religious groups, or pressure and interference by civil authorities or occupying forces; and
- Remembers with love the visit of His Beatitude Metropolitan Onuphry to the 18th All-American Council in Atlanta.

## **Resolution on Pension Plan**

WHEREAS the delegates to the 20<sup>th</sup> All American Council (AAC) desire to see the Metropolitan Council and the Pension Board work in Christian harmony;

WHEREAS the Pension Board describes their desire to “provide meaningful retirement information for seminary educators, clergy, and eligible lay staff” (Pension Office Report to the 20<sup>th</sup> AAC);

WHEREAS the Metropolitan Council, in the interest of full accountability and transparency, and pursuant to Article V Section 7 of the Statute of the Orthodox Church in America, requires complete, accurate, and up-to-date information on a regular and periodic basis;

THEREFORE, pursuant to Article III Section 4 (e) of the Statute of the Orthodox Church in America, be it resolved by the 20<sup>th</sup> All American Council that:

1. A member of the Pension Board should appear at each regular Metropolitan Council session to report on the condition, activities and status of the Pension Plan and answer questions regarding it;
2. The Pension Board should provide to the Metropolitan Council at least semi-annually, and in advance of the regularly scheduled session of the Metropolitan Council, all relevant current financial details, including, but not limited to, assets, liabilities, market value

funding ratio, actuarial value funding ratio, surplus/deficit, plan participation, plan performance in comparison with the assumed plan projections, trend graphs for terminal and operational funding, and such other relevant information as requested by the Metropolitan Council;

3. The Metropolitan Council should designate a liaison and provide that name to the Pension Board. The liaison should be invited to attend each meeting of the Pension Board to receive information about the Pension Plan and to convey concerns from the Metropolitan Council.
4. The Metropolitan Council and the Pension Board are expected to work together, having regular collaborative sessions to ensure Pension Plan participants and employers can have confidence that their best interests are being served;
5. Once the Pension Board reports have been accepted by the Metropolitan Council, they should be included in the Metropolitan Council minutes and be posted accordingly. The Pension Board should post the accepted report on the Pension Board website as well.
6. The Pension Board should provide clearly formulated and transparent reports to all plan participants no less than once every six months.
7. That professional third party benefit plan administrative training should be provided to the Metropolitan Council and the Pension Board and the Officers of the church