

**The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
45th Annual Diocesan Convention**

The Dalles, Oregon – October 16 – 18, 2015

Resolution title: Resolution on St Paul's, Nyssa

**Submitted by: Diocesan Council & Standing Committee
On behalf of the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa**

Explanation:

The wonderful and faithful people from St. Paul's, Nyssa have been in conversation in the past several months and have made a difficult decision. They have made good use of the property, but have concluded that they have done all that they can and decided that it is time for the Episcopal Dioceses of Eastern Oregon to take back responsibility of it.

Whereas, the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa, can no longer sustain a congregation, and there is no priest to serve them regularly; and

Whereas, the Standing Committee approved this request at their meeting on September 19, 2015 and the entire Diocesan Council voted to approve via an on-line vote on September 28, 2015 and move the matter to the floor of this convention for affirmation; and

Whereas, the work of Diocesan Council in 2016 and beyond will be determining the best use for this property;

Therefore, be it resolved that this convention affirms the decision of the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa, to close the parish and the future care of the land and building will come under the purview of the Bishop and Standing Committee until its future use can be determined.