GENERAL SYNOD 2010 RESOLUTIONS FORM

Subject Persons Persecution and Marginalization of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Persons Mr. Daniel Draper, Diocese of Rupert's Land Seconded by Mr. Reuben Bonnell, Diocese of Central Newfoundland

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

- 1. Deplore any legislation calling for punishments for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons and their supporters and encourage our partners in jurisdictions with such legislation to do the same; and
- 2. Request the Anglican Church of Canada at all levels to embrace the outcast and stand against the abuse and torment of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons.

Source Youth Members of Synod		
Submitted by Mr. Daniel Draper, Diocese of Rupert's Land		
Does this motion contain within it any financial implications?	Yes	No X

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes No

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The mission of the Anglican Church of Canada calls us to transform the unjust structures of society. There are few structures more unjust than legislation that persecutes someone for being as God created them. We intend this motion to show the support of the members of the Anglican Church of Canada for those in sexual minorities who are threatened with a variety of consequences (including death) for their sexuality.

This motion calls on this Synod to express strong frustration with those nations actively considering legislation that persecutes members of sexual minorities. It also calls on this Synod to affirm a commitment to respect and prevent discrimination against those minorities in Canada.