WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this 247th Convention of the Diocese of New York should salute those persons who, through their great capacity for love, dedication of spirit, and faith in God, strive to enrich the lives of the people in their respective communities and through whose efforts have distinguished themselves as leaders in the Church of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Dietsche has faithfully served the Episcopal Diocese of New York first as the Canon for Pastoral Care and then as Bishop Diocesan for the last 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Andrew ML Dietsche and Mrs. Margaret Dietsche are two persons whose lives and ministry affirm their commitment to the principles of faith, perseverance, and hard work; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we recognize and honor Bishop Andrew ML Dietsche and Mrs. Margaret Dietsche for their commitment and dedication to the Episcopal Diocese of New York and The Episcopal Church, as we salute their outstanding character and their many good works and accomplishments in their years of service to this Diocese and to The Episcopal Church; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the 247th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of New York, send Bishop and Mrs. Dietsche all of our love and best wishes as they begin the next adventure of their lives; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be submitted to and retained in the Archives of the Episcopal Diocese of New York so that future generations may forever be reminded of Bishop Andrew ML Dietsche's and Mrs. Margaret Dietsche's unselfish and honorable service to the Diocese and to God's church throughout the world.