VI. RULE RE DEVIATIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CONSTITUTION

- 1. A request submitted by the incumbent and churchwardens of a parish to the bishop of the diocese for permission to make a deviation or deviations from the existing Order of Service not contravening any principle of doctrine or worship of this Church shall be in writing signed by the incumbent and churchwardens.
- 2. Such request shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by the incumbent and churchwardens that the requirements of the last proviso of section 4 of the Constitution beginning with the words "**Provided also**" have been complied with and such request and certificate shall be in or to the effect of the following form:

A request for permission to make a deviation or deviations from the existing Order of Service.

To the Most Reverend Archbishop of or the Right Reverend Bishop of (as the case may be);

We the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Church of in the Parish of do certify that a meeting of parishioners was duly convened by writing placed in a prominent position at each entrance to the said Church and by an announcement at the morning and evening services (or service as the case may be) in the said Church on two Sundays namely the days of being not less than two Sundays before such meeting stating that a meeting would be held at o'clock on the day of and giving full particulars of the nature of the proposed deviation or deviations (as the case may be) from the existing Order of Service and that the said meeting was duly held and that the said deviations hereto annexed and signed by us for the purpose of identification were assented to by a majority of the said parishioners then present and voting.

Dated the day of

Incumbent Churchwardens

We, therefore, the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Church of in the Parish of do request Your Grace or Your Lordship (as the case may be) by virtue of the authority committed to you by section 4 of the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia to permit the deviation or deviations (as the case may be) hereto annexed and signed by us for the purpose of identification from the existing Order of Service.

Dated the day of

Incumbent C

Churchwardens

3. The bishop may at his discretion permit the deviation or deviations (as the case may be) annexed to the certificate and request aforesaid provided no deviation thus permitted contravenes any principle of doctrine or worship of this Church.
