# XX. RULES WITH RESPECT TO ALTERATIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION<sup>1</sup>

- 1. As soon as possible after the passing by General Synod of a canon to amend the Constitution to which section 67(1)(a)(ii) or (iii), section 67(1)(b) or section 67(1)(c) of the Constitution applies the General Secretary shall send to the registrar or diocesan secretary of each diocese a certified copy of the canon together with a form of certificate relating to the canon in accordance with the form contained in Schedule 1.
- 2. As soon as possible after the passing by a diocesan synod of an ordinance assenting to a canon referred to in section 1 the bishop or registrar or diocesan secretary of the diocese shall complete and return to the General Secretary of General Synod the certificate referred to in section 1 together with a true copy of the Ordinance of the Synod assenting to the canon.
- 3. After appointing a date on which the canon shall come into effect in accordance with section 67(2) of the Constitution the President shall make a declaration in writing in one or other of the forms set out in Schedule 2 and such declaration shall be filed in the registry of the Primate.
- 4. In addition to complying with the requirements of section 67(2) of the Constitution, the President shall forthwith notify in writing each diocesan bishop and the secretaries of General Synod of the making of the declaration.
- 5. Standing Committee shall report the making of the declaration to synod at its next session.

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Rule XX (Rule 3, 1992) repealed and new Rule XX substituted by Rule 7, 1995.

# **SCHEDULE 1**

# CERTIFICATE OF ASSENT TO A CANON TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION

[Short Title and number of Canon]

To: The General Secretary

General Synod

I certify that on the day of the synod of this diocese assented by Ordinance to the above canon and that such assent is still in force. A copy of the Ordinance assenting to this canon is attached.

Signed:

Bishop/Registrar/Diocesan Secretary

Diocese:

Date: .....

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

#### FORM A

#### DECLARATION WITH RESPECT TO A CANON TO WHICH

# SECTION 67(1)(a)(i) OF THE CONSTITUTION APPLIES

I, ....., President of General Synod and Primate of The Anglican Church of Australia pursuant to section 67(2) of the Constitution and to rules of the General Synod do declare that a bill for a canon entitled ...... was duly passed at the session of General Synod held in the year ...... in accordance with the requirements of section 67(1)(a)(i) of the Constitution and I determine that there is no condition/no condition remaining to which the coming of the canon into effect is subject and I appoint the ....... day of ...... as the date on which the canon shall come into effect and I declare that the Constitution on and from that day will be altered accordingly.

DATED ..... day of .....

SIGNED

President of General Synod

#### FORM B

#### DECLARATION WITH RESPECT TO A CANON TO WHICH

## SECTION 67(1)(a)(ii) or (iii) or SECTION 67(1)(c) OF THE CONSTITUTION APPLIES

DATED ..... day of .....

SIGNED

President of General Synod

# FORM C

## DECLARATION WITH RESPECT TO A CANON TO WHICH

#### SECTION 67(1)(b) OF THE CONSTITUTION APPLIES

I, ....., President of General Synod and Primate of The Anglican Church of Australia pursuant to section 67(2) of the Constitution and to rules of the General Synod do declare that a bill for a canon entitled ...... was duly passed at the session of General Synod held in the year ....... and that subsequently every diocesan synod of the said church assented to it by ordinance and that all such assents were in force on the ........ day of ......... and I determine that there is no condition/no condition remaining to which the coming of the canon into effect is subject and I appoint the ......... day of .......... as the date on which the canon shall come into effect and I declare that the Constitution on and from that day will be altered accordingly.

DATED this..... day of .....

SIGNED

President of General Synod

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