

**Delegates to the 136<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem  
unanimously approved the following Resolution on the Budget of the  
Diocese of Bethlehem:**

*Be it Resolved*, That the Assessment Rate applied to Line A, Normal Operating Income (NOI), of the 2006 Parochial Report shall be 12% in 2008;

and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Proposed Mission and Ministry Budget of the Diocese as it is presented to the Convention be adopted.

Presented by Diocesan Council

Explanation:

With this Resolution, Diocesan Convention adopts a Diocesan Operating Budget for 2008. The Income of the Budget represents a continuation of a blend of Assessments and Acceptances, both at rates identical to last year: 12% of Normal Operating Income (NOI, Line A of the Parochial Report) for the Assessment and 3% of NOI for the Acceptance.