

**HOLY ORDERS, FORM 14: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD**

(In accordance with Title III. Canon 8 Sec. 7(b)(2); 2012 Canons)

To: The Bishop  
The Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
3700 Woodmont Boulevard Nashville, TN 37215

Name of Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

We do certify that, after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that The Reverend \_\_\_\_\_, Deacon since the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, being the date of ordination to the Diaconate (or for at least three years), has lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and has not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and moreover, we think The Reverend \_\_\_\_\_ a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. Signed:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Priest: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Attestation of Clerk or Recording Secretary:

I hereby certify that The Reverend \_\_\_\_\_ is a Transitional Deacon on staff at \_\_\_\_\_ Parish in \_\_\_\_\_; that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of \_\_\_\_\_ Parish, in \_\_\_\_\_ duly convened at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and that the names attached are those of all (or two-thirds majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Clerk/Secretary of Vestry

*Note: No person seeking Holy Orders shall sign any of the certificates prescribed by the Canons (Title III.5.2a; 2012 Canons)*