**Resolution 2018-2 (Ammended)**

**Be it resolved, that the 90th Convention of the Diocese of Eau Claire create a Diocesan Canon to read as follows:**

**Canon x: Of Digital Communication and Social Media Use**

**Section 1.** Digital Communication considered under this canon shall consist of any electronic communication expressly claiming or purported to be representative of a parish, vestry, committee, or college within the Diocese of Eau Claire, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Direct emails
2. Listserv emails or newsletters
3. Blogs or other personal sites that formally or informally reference the writer as a representative of the Diocese of Eau Claire or any group therein
4. Wikis, or any other website, that allow content to be collaboratively modified
5. Podcasts, or any other digital audio or video services available for download or subscription including, but not limited to, YouTube and Flickr
6. Social Media sites, including, but not limited to, Facebook, Instagram, LikindIn, and Tumblr
7. Videoconferencing sites that allow direct video or audio interaction including, but not limited to, Zoom, GoToMeeting and GlobalMeet

**Section 2.** The Lay and Clergy leaders in the Diocese of Eau Claire considered under this canon shall consist of the following:

1. all active and retired clergy
2. any individuals who have begun the canonical process toward ordination
3. any individuals who have engaged in ministerial leadership for the Diocese of Eau Claire, or any parish therein, including, but not limited to, youth ministries, Camps and Conferences, Adult Education forums, and the Family Retreat Board and Cursillo Secretariat
4. any individuals who have been duly elected to any diocesan or congregational board or committee, including, but not limited to, the Standing Committee, the Executive Council, the Trustees, the Commission on Ministry, parish vestries, and Bishop’s Committees

**Section 3.** All Lay or Clergy leaders in the Diocese of Eau Claire as defined in Section 2, shall read and agree to this canon concerning “Digital Communication and Social Media Use” before they begin service in any leadership role within the Diocese of Eau Claire.

**Section 4.** No Lay or Clergy leaders in the Diocese of Eau Claire as defined in Section 2, shall engage in discourse using Digital Communication as defined in Section 1, to defame any person or group.