**Bill No 5**

**Mr R Oli/ The Rev’d M Wallace**

**A Bill to Amend The Calendar – Te Maramataka, 2018**

**Noting that:**

1. The General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui by Statute 456 in 1988 confirmed the adoption of The Calendar – Te Maramataka as a Formulary, and
2. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (from Ascension Day until Pentecost) is recognised by this Church, and
3. The Lectionary currently notes this week of prayer in square brackets denoting it as a celebration of interest but not amongst the days designated by resolution of General Synod Te Hīnota Whānui, and
4. The Council for Ecumenism now wishes to add this week to The Calendar – Te Maramataka, and
5. This proposal has the support of the Common Life Liturgical Commission, pursuant to Title B/ Canon XXX/ Clause 4.4.

**The General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui enacts as follows:**

**1. Title.** The title of this Statute shall be *The Calendar – Te Maramataka Amendment Statute, 2018.*

**2. Purpose.**  To allow for The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity to be added to The Calendar - Te Maramataka.

**3. The Calendar – Te Maramataka (of A New Zealand Prayer Book / He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa)** - is amended as follows:

at the appropriate place on page 13, following Section 6 (iv), in the Calendar, the words

‘(v) *Ecumencial*

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – from Ascension until Pentecost,’

are inserted.

**4. Clause 3 of this Statute** is the adoption of a specific proposal in terms of Part B, Clause 6(a) of the Constitution/te Pouhere, and Section 4(a) of the Church of England Empowering Act 1928, and shall be made known to Te Runanganui o Te Pīhopatanga o Aotearoa, the Synod of the Diocese of Polynesia, and the several Diocesan Synods in New Zealand.